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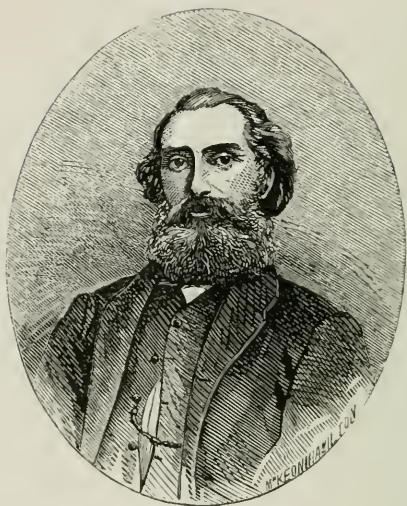
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J. R. Harris

PROCEEDINGS
OF
THE GRAND LODGE
Of Ancient
Free and Accepted Masons
OF CANADA,
AT ITS
TENTH ANNUAL COMMUNICATION,

HELD AT THE
CITY OF TORONTO, JULY 12, A.L., 5865, A.D., 1865.



ORDERED TO BE READ IN ALL LODGES AND PRESERVED.

WILLIAM B. SIMPSON, KINGSTON,
GRAND MASTER.

THOMAS BIRD HARRIS, HAMILTON,
GRAND SECRETARY.

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Grand Lodge of Canada.

PROCEEDINGS

At an Especial Communication of the Grand Lodge of
Ancient Free and Accepted Masons of Canada, held
at the City of Montreal, on Saturday, the 24th June,
A. L., 5865, A.D., 1865.

PRESENT.

M. W. Br.	W. B. Simpson,	Grand Master
" " "	A. Bernard,	Past Grand Master
R. " "	A. A. Stevenson,	Deputy Grand Master
" " "	J. H. Graham,	as Grand Senior Warden
" " "	John Renshaw,	" Junior "
" " "	M. H. Utley,	as " Chaplain
" " "	H. I. Gear,	as " Treasurer
R. " "	R. Bull,	as " Secretary
V. " "	A. S. Kirkpatrick,	" Senior Deacon
" " "	I. H. Stearns,	as " Junior "
" " "	I. C. Clark,	as " Supt. of Works.
" " "	R. Irwin,	as " Director of Ceremonies
" " "	O'Loughran,	as " Sword-Bearer
" " "	A. Murray,	as Assist. Grand Dir. Ceremonies.
V. " "	F. C. Dettmers,	as Grand Organist
" " "	S. Blondheim,	" Pursuivant
" " "	W. Hannah,	as " Tyler
" " "	G. Swain,	} as Grand Stewards
" " "	R. Rogers,	
" " "	W. Dalton,	
" " "	E. Charters,	

Together with a large number of Brethren hailing from the following Lodges :

	—	Antiquity Lodge,	Montreal.
No.	3.—	St. John's	“ Kingston.
“	19.—	St. George's	“ Montreal.
“	21.—	Zetland	“ “
“	92.—	Cataraqui	“ Kingston.
“	124.—	Kilwinning	“ Montreal.
“	130.—	Yamaska	“ Granby.
	U. D.—	Royal Albert	“ Montreal.
	U. D.—	Victoria	“ “

The following Lodges, hailing from other jurisdictions, were also fully represented and took part in the ceremonies :

St. George's,	No. 440,	E. R.,	Montreal.
St. Paul's	“ 514,	“	“
St. Lawrence	“ 640,	“	“
Elgin	“ 348,	S. R.,	“

The Grand Lodge was opened in *Ample* form.

The acting Grand Secretary read the summons issued by the commands of the M. W. Grand Master, calling this Especial Communication of the Grand Lodge, after which the Grand Master was pleased to say that he felt it his duty to comply with the request made to him to lay, with Masonic Ceremonies, the corner stone of the new building where the Masons of Montreal intend to hold their meetings, and he was glad to find so large a number of the Fraternity respond to his call, shewing their willingness to assist him on this interesting occasion. The acting Grand Director of Ceremonies was then instructed to form the Procession and proceed to the site of the building, corner of Notre Dame Street and Place D'Arms.

On arriving at the ground, the procession opened out, when the Grand Officers marched through to the spot where the stone was to be laid, the east end facing Notre Dame Street. The M. W. Grand Master and other

Officers ascended the platform, when the M. W. Grand Master spoke as follows :

“ Men, women and children here assembled to-day to behold this ceremony, know all of you that we are lawful Masons, true to the laws of our country, and professing to fear God, who is the great Architect of all things, to honor the Queen, confer benefits on our brethren, and to practice universal benevolence to all mankind. We have amongst us, concealed from the eyes of all men, secrets which may not be revealed, and which no man has discovered ; but these secrets are lawful and honorable, and are placed in the custody of masons who alone have the keeping of them to the end of time.

“ Unless our craft were good and our calling honorable, we should not have existed for so many centuries, nor should we have so many illustrious brothers in our order, ever ready to sanction our proceedings and to contribute to our prosperity. To-day we are assembled in the face of you all to build a house for masonry, which we pray God to prosper if it seems good to Him, that it may become a house for great and worthy men to practice beneficent actions, and to promote harmony and brotherly love till the world itself shall end.”

The acting Grand Chaplain, Dr. Utley, invoked a blessing from the G. A. O. T. U.

R. W. Deputy Grand Master, A. A. Stevenson, read the inscription designed for the cavity of the stone, as follows :

“ By the blessing of the great Architect of the Universe, and in the 29th year of the benign reign of her most gracious Majesty Queen Victoria ; the Right Hon. Charles Stanley, Viscount Monck, being Governor-General of British North America, and Jean Louis Beaudry, Esq., Mayor of the City of Montreal, the upper portion of which is set apart for a Masonic Hall, was laid with proper ceremonies by William Benjamin Simpson, Esq., Most Worshipful Grand Master of the Grand Lodge of Ancient Free and Accepted Masons of Canada, on the festival of St. Jean Baptiste, Saturday, June 24th, in the year of our Lord 1865, and of the year of Masonry 5865.

ARCHITECT :

Alexander C. Hutchinson.

CONTRACTORS :

Brims and Taylor.

W. T. Peel, brick work.

Rol. Weir, carpenter work.

C. Bailey, plumber and gas fitting.

Prowse and Macfarlane, galvanized iron work.

A. Craig, painting, &c.

The building to be completed by the first of November.

List of the officers of the Grand Lodge of Canada for 1864-5 :

M. W. Bro. W. B. Simpson,	G.M.	R. W. Bro. A. A. Stevenson,	D.G.M
" " " W. M. Wilson,	P.G.M.	" " " E. J. Sisson,	G.S.W.
" " " T. D. Harington,	P.G.M.	" " " John Renshaw,	G.J.W.
" " " W. C. Stephens,	P.G.M.	" " " Henry Groff,	G.T.
" " " A. Bernard,	P.G.M.	" " " Thos. B. Harris,	G.Sec.

R. W. Bro. R. A. Smith, D. G. M., for the Montreal District.

List of Masonic Lodges and Chapters in Montreal,
Canadian Registry :

— Lodge of Antiquity.	No. 24. Montreal Kilwinning Lodge.
No. 19. St. George's Lodge.	U.D. Royal Albert Lodge.
" 21. Zetland Lodge.	U.D. Victoria Lodge.

LODGES UNDER FOREIGN JURISDICTION.

No. 440. St. George's, R. E.	No. 514. St. Paul's, R. E.
" 640. St. Lawrence Lodge, R.E.	" 348. Elgin, R. S.

ROYAL ARCH CHAPTERS, C. R.

No. 21. Carnarvon.	No. 25. Mount Horeb.
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Richard Cœur de Leon Encampment.

COMMITTEE OF ARRANGEMENTS :

Br. Robert Irwin, W. M. of St. George's Lodge, No. 19, *Chairman*.

Thos. Milton, W. M. of St. Lawrence Lodge, *Treasurer*.

W. H. Huntley, Junior Warden, Victoria Lodge, *Secretary*.

The parchment containing the above declaration was deposited in the stone, together with a book of the Constitution of the Grand Lodge of Canada, a copy of the *Montreal Gazette, Telegraph, Herald, Transcript, and Witness*; coins of Canada: 20, 10, 5, and 1 cent pieces.

The plate which covered the cavity, containing these articles, bore the following inscription:

"This stone was laid by W. B. Simpson, Esq., Grand Master of Masons of Canada, June 24th, 1865."

An iron plate was put on top of the plate which bore the inscription, and the stone was then raised by the derrick, and lowered, amidst solemn music.

The Grand Master with his Deputy and Wardens, then descended the platform to lay the stone. A very handsome silver trowel was then presented to the M.W. Grand Master, by W. Bro. Irwin, the Chairman of Committee. The trowel bore the following inscription:

"Presented by the brethren of Montreal to M. W. Bro. Wm. B. Simpson, Grand Master of the Grand Lodge of Canada, on the occasion of his laying, with Masonic ceremonies, the Foundation Stone of the Masonic Hall.

"June 24, 5865."

The Grand Master then said:

"I have to acknowledge the gift of this trowel which you have so kindly presented to me. It is an instrument of our craft which I highly prize, and cordially thank you for. I shall prize it as an ornament, for its surpassing workmanship, which does honor to the silversmith who made it. It is a token that it has this day spread well-tempered mortar in erecting a masonic edifice into which we trust none but good and true men may ever be admitted. It shall be my endeavor to hand it down to my children's children, as a memento of this day." In accordance with the Grand Master's order, the necessary implements were then applied for the laying of the stone according to the Masonic formula, after which he said: "Having, my right worshipful brethren, full confidence in your skill and royal art, it remains for me to finish the work." The Grand Master struck the stone

which had been lowered to its place, three times with the gavel, saying, "Well made, truly laid, well proved, true and trusty, may the Great Architect, who has so kindly blessed us in the proceedings of this day, enable those engaged in the building to complete it; and may it hereafter be preserved from ruin and decay, and be of lasting prosperity. I therefore strew corn on the stone as the emblem of plenty; I pour wine on it as the emblem of cheerfulness; and I anoint it with oil as the emblem of comfort and consolation." The Grand Master directed the various implements to be returned to the architect, saying, "Master Architect, the foundation stone being now laid, I present you with the implements applied to it, in full confidence that, as a skilful and faithful workman, you will use them in such a manner that the building may rise in order, harmony and beauty, and, being perfected in strength, may answer every purpose for which it is intended, to your credit and the honor of those who have selected you." The architect now presented his plans of the building, which were highly commended by the Grand Master. The treasurer placed coin on the stone for the workmen. The band playing "The Old Hundredth;" the conclusion of the ceremony being greeted with loud cheers. The Grand Master now re-ascended the platform, and briefly addressed the brethren. He recommended them to practice masonry in such a way as to show the world around that it was no idle profession. The officers and brethren had assembled to lay the corner stone of an edifice wherein they were to learn to act upon the square with all mankind, and be true to their principles. To them was committed the interests of freemasonry in this city; let them be careful, therefore, not to blend with it their weaknesses, nor stain it with their vices. With dignity, fidelity and respectability, they ought to support the character which they bore. It was their duty to walk circumspectly before the world, keeping their garments of truth unsullied, so that they might recommend themselves and principles to the confidence of all men. They were to let nothing enter their hearts, or exhibit itself in their conduct, which might cause the finger of scorn to be raised against them and detract from the dignity of their order; and no excess of passion or lust should ever be seen in their lives. To remove the veil which misinformation or prejudice has thrown

over the eyes of their enemies, it remained for Masons to convince them by their lives of the truth of the declared objects of freemasonry. Let the conduct of the brethren, therefore, be a letter of recommendation seen and read of all men ; for be assured that a good life is an unanswerable refutation of every charge. To conclude—if, brethren, you have only true love for masonry ; if you have at heart the honor and interests of our most ancient and venerable institution, you will be careful not only to rule and govern your faith, but to square your actions by the Holy Word of God ; and while with each other you literally walk upon the level, may you keep within due bounds with all mankind. Thus will you merit and maintain the reputation, not only of “good men and true,” but of wise and skilful, Free and Accepted Masons.

The procession was again formed and marched back to the Lodge Room.

The business of the Especial Communication being finished, the Grand Lodge was closed in *Ample* form.

[ATTEST.]



Thos. R. Harris
G.S.C.

Grand Lodge of Canada.

PROCEEDINGS

At the Tenth Annual Communication of the Grand Lodge of Ancient Free and Accepted Masons of Canada, held at the City of Toronto, commencing on the second Wednesday, the 12th day of July, A.L. 5865, A.D., 1865.

PRESENT.

M. W. Bro. Wm. B. Simpson, Grand Master,
On the Throne.

R. W. Bro. A. A. Stevenson, Deputy Grand Master

"	"	"	Charles J. S. Askin,	D.D.G.M.,	London	District
"	"	"	Charles Kahn,	"	Huron	"
"	"	"	Hon. Harcourt B. Bull,	"	Hamilton	"
"	"	"	Hon. Robert Spence,	"	Toronto	"
"	"	"	James Milne,	"	Ontario	"
"	"	"	L. H. Henderson,	"	Pr. Edward	"
"	"	"	Robert Lyons,	"	Central	"
"	"	"	George H. Borlase,	"	E. Townships	"
"	"	"	Edmund J. Sisson,	Grand	Senior	Warden
"	"	"	John Renshaw,	"	Junior	"
"	"	"	Rev. Vincent Clementi,	"	Chaplain	
"	"	"	Charles D. Macdonnell,	"	Registrar	
"	"	"	Thos. Bird Harris,	"	Secretary	
V.	"	"	Alex. S. Kirkpatrick,	"	Senior	Deacon
"	"	"	Isaac H. Stearns,	as	Junior	"
"	"	"	W. F. Biggar,	as	Sup't of	Work
"	"	"	Benjamin E. Charlton,	as	Grand	Dir. of Ceremonies
"	"	"	Thos. McCracken,	Asst.	"	Secretary

W. Bro.	T. H. Aikman,	as	Asst. Grand Dir. of Ceremon's		
"	"	"	James Bain,	"	Sword Bearer
"	"	"	George L. Hulme,	as	Organist
"	"	"	F. H. Lynch Staunton,	as	Pursuivant
"	"	"	Francis Clough,		Tyler
"	"	"	Frank C. Draper,	}	Grand Stewards.
"	"	"	John M. Horsey,		
"	"	"	H. V. Sanders,		
"	"	"	Jabez Amsden,		

PAST GRAND OFFICERS.

M. W. Bro.	A. Bernard,	P.G.M.
R.	“ “ S. B. Harman,	P.D.D.G.M.
“	“ “ W. G. Storm,	P.D.D.G.M.
“	“ “ W. H. Weller,	P.D.D.G.M.
“	“ “ Æmilius Irving,	P.D.D.G.M.
“	“ “ John H. Isaacson,	P.D.D.G.M.
“	“ “ A. DeGrassi,	P.D.D.G.M.
“	“ “ Thomas Ridout,	P.D.D.G.M.
“	“ “ John Dutton,	P.D.D.G.M.
“	“ “ A. G. Macdonell,	P.D.D.G.M.
“	“ “ James E. Smith,	P.G.S.W.
“	“ “ Henry Macpherson,	P.G.S.W.
“	“ “ James Seymour,	P.G.J.W.
“	“ “ J. H. Graham,	P.G.J.W.
“	“ “ Rev. St. Geo. Caulfield,	P.G. Chap.
“	“ “ John V. Noel,	P.G.R.
“	“ “ John Osborne,	P.G. Sec.
V.	“ “ William Graham,	P.G.S.D.
“	“ “ W. F. Biggar,	P.G.S. of W.
“	“ “ Daniel Spry,	P.G.D. of C.
“	“ “ W. R. Harris,	P. Ass't G. Sec.
“	“ “ John Paterson,	P.G.S.B.
“	“ “ Jas. M. Rogerson,	P.G.O.
“	“ “ Isaac P. Willson,	P.G. Steward.
“	“ “ N. Allan Gamble,	P.G. “
“	“ “ Geo. L. Graham,	P.G. “
“	“ “ Thos. Matheson,	P.G. “

REPRESENTATIVES OF GRAND LODGES.

R.	W. Bro.	Kivas Tully,	Grand Lodge of Ireland
M.	" "	A. Bernard,	" Vermont
R.	" "	Thos. B. Harris,	" Kansas
"	" "	John H. Graham,	" Maine

PAST MASTERS.

	W. Bro.	Thomas Wood		W. Bro.	T. H. Aikman
R.	" "	C. D. Macdonnell	V.	" "	Isaac P. Willson
M.	" "	W. B. Simpson		" "	James Gustin
R.	" "	Hon. H. B. Bull		" "	H. W. Day
	" "	B. E. Charlton		" "	George H. Gordon
V.	" "	W. F. Biggar		" "	James Baird
	" "	Marcellus Crombie	V.	" "	Thomas McCracken
R.	" "	L. H. Henderson		" "	F. Westlake
"	" "	E. J. Sisson	R.	" "	Rev. St. G. Caulfield
"	" "	John H. Graham		" "	John E. Brooke
"	" "	S. B. Harman	R.	" "	C. J. S. Askin
"	" "	W. G. Storm		" "	R. J. Earl
V.	" "	W. R. Harris		" "	J. Hutton
"	" "	James Bain		" "	A. Walker
	" "	W. T. O'Reilly		" "	Chris. Burrell
V.	" "	John Paterson		" "	Joseph Figg
R.	" "	Æmilius Irving		" "	P. Patterson
"	" "	Wm. H. Weller	R.	" "	Thos. B. Harris
	" "	W. H. Floyd		" "	John A. Gairdner
M.	" "	A. Bernard	R.	" "	Geo. H. Borlase
R.	" "	J. H. Isaacson		" "	Isaac Wolever
"	" "	James E. Smith		" "	Otto Klotz
V.	" "	Daniel Spry		" "	James Macfadden
R.	" "	Robert Lyon		" "	John Kerr
V.	" "	F. C. Draper	R.	" "	A. DeGrassi
	" "	Nicol Kingsmill		" "	Joseph Bullock
"	" "	H. V. Sanders	R.	" "	Hon. Robt. Spence
"	" "	James M. Rogerson		" "	R. J. Kimball
"	" "	J. B. Young	R.	" "	Kivas Tully

	W. Bro. Yeoman Gibson	R. W. Bro. Henry Macpherson
	" " Charles Clark	" " " John V. Noel
R.	" " James Milne	" " Henry Dumble
	" " F. F. McArthur	" " F. H. L. Staunton
V.	" " Jabez Amsden	" " H. Fraser
	" " John Parry	" " H. Mosier
	" " Wm. Montague	" " Wm. Trent
	" " Robert Dick	V. " " Wm. Graham
	" " William Lynass	" " " Geo. L. Graham
"	" " " N. Allan Gamble	" " Thomas Gidley
	" " James McMahon	" " Robert Matheson
	" " Thomas Miller	" " James Bowman
R.	" " Rev. V. Clementi	" " John Stephenson
	" " Richard White	" " " Thomas Matheson
"	" " " James Seymour	R. " " A. G. Macdonell
	" " W. B. Beeton	" " James Stephenson
	" " D. B. Burch	R. " " John Dutton
	" " S. D. Brown	" " " Charles Kahn
V.	" " H. V. Sanders	V. " " John M. Horsey
R.	" " Thomas Ridout	" " William D. Perine
	" " D. W. Bryan	" " William Porte
	" " John Taylor	" " Joseph Jackes
R.	" " John Renshaw	R. " " John Osborne
	" " Hugh O'Neil	" " A. A. Stevenson

A Constitutional number of Lodges being represented, the Grand Chaplain implored a blessing from the G.A.O.T.U.

The Grand Lodge of Ancient Free and Accepted Masons of Canada was opened in *Ample* form at 12.45 o'Clock, P. M.

The Board of General Purposes having appointed W. Bros. Richard White, A. DeGrassi and F. C. Dettmers, a Committee on credentials of Representatives and Proxies for Lodges, reported the following, as per registry Book, who were admitted to take their seats in Grand Lodge, viz :

- No. 1. *Prevost Lodge, Dunham.*
W. Bro. Thomas Wood, P.M., and proxy.
- No. 2. *Niagara Lodge, Niagara.*
W. Bro. Alexander Servos, W.M.
" Thomas Walsh, S.W.
- No. 3. *St. John's Lodge, Kingston.*
V.W. Bro. Alex. S. Kirkpatrick, W.M.
" P. Geraghty, S.W.
R. " " C. D. Macdonnell, P.M.
- No. 5. *Sussex Lodge, Brockville.*
W. Bro. Thomas Wilkinson, W.M.
M. " " W. B. Simpson, P.M.
- No. 6. *Barton Lodge, Hamilton.*
W. Bro. B. E. Charlton, W.M.
" Wm. Edgar, S.W.
R. " " Hon. H. B. Bull, P.M.
- No. 7. *Union Lodge, Grimsby.*
W. Bro. A. G. Muir, W.M.
V. " " W. F. Biggar, P.M.
- No. 9. *Union Lodge, Napanee.*
Br. S. T. Clements, S.W.
- No. 10. *Norfolk Lodge, Simcoe.*
W. Bro. John Wilson, W.M.
" Thos. G. Matheson, S.W.
" John Clark, J.W.
- No. 11. *Moirs Lodge, Belleville.*
W. Bro. William Doctor, W.M.
" " Marcellus Crombie, P.M.
R. " " E. J. Sisson, P.M.
" " " L. H. Henderson, P.M.
- No. 12. *Golden Rule, Stanstead.*
R.W. Bro. John H. Graham, (proxy.)
- No. 13. *Western Light Lodge, Bolton.*
Bro. Thos. C. Starrett, J.W.
- No. 15. *St. George's Lodge, St. Catharines.*
Br. W. Chatfield, S.W.
- No. 16. *St. Andrew's Lodge, Toronto.*
V.W. Bro. James Bain, W.M.
" George Hodgetts, J.W.
R. " " S. B. Harman, P.M.
" " " W. G. Storm, P.M.
V. " " W. R. Harris, P.M.

- V. W. Bro. John Paterson, P.M.
 R. " " Æmilius Irving, P.M.
 " " " W. T. O'Reilly, P.M.
- No. 17. *St. John's Lodge, Cobourg.*
 R. W. Bro. W. H. Weller, P.M.
 " " W. H. Floyd, P.M.
- No. 18. *Prince Edward Lodge, Picton.*
 W. Bro. J. N. Carter, W.M.
- No. 19. *St. George's Lodge, Montreal.*
 W. Bro. Robert Irwin, W.M.
 " James H. MacNider, S.W.
 M. " " A. Bernard, P.M.
 R. " " A. A. Stevenson, P.M.
- No. 20. *St. John's Lodge, London.*
 W. Bro. J. K. Clare, W.M.
- No. 21. *Zetland Lodge, Montreal.*
 R.W. Bro. J. H. Isaacson, W.M.
- No. 22. *King Solomon's Lodge, Toronto.*
 Bro. William Arthurs, J.W.
 R.W. " James E. Smith, P.M.
- No. 23. *Richmond Lodge, Richmond Hill.*
 W. Bro. A. P. Conger, W.M.
 V. " " Daniel Spry, P. M.
- No. 24. *St. Francis Lodge, Ottawa.*
 R.W. Bro. Robert Lyon, (proxy.)
- No. 25. *Ionic Lodge, Toronto.*
 W. Bro. J. Brown, W.M.
 " W. N. Radenhurst, S.W.
 V. " " Frank C. Draper, P.M.
 " " Nicol Kingsmill, P.M.
- No. 26. *Ontario Lodge, Port Hope.*
 W. Bro. Robert Nicolls, W.M.
 V. " " H. V. Sanders, P.M.
- No. 27. *Strict Observance Lodge, Hamilton.*
 Bro. F. C. Bruce, S.W.
 " James Gay, Jun., J.W.
 V.W. " James M. Rogerson, P.M.
- No. 28. *Mount Zion Lodge, Kemprille.*
 R.W. Bro. Robert Lyon, (proxy.)
- No. 29. *United Lodge, Brighton.*
 W. Bro. J. O. Proctor, W.M.
 " " J. B. Young, P.M.

- No. 30. *Composite Lodge, Whitby.*
 W. Bro. Yeoman Gibson, W.M.
 " W. Nunn, S.W.
 " John M. Lowes, J.W.
 " " Charles Clark, P.M.
- No. 31. *Jerusalem Lodge, Bowmanville.*
 W. Bro. F. F. McArthur, W.M.
 " B. Patterson, J.W.
 R. " " James Milne, P.M.
- No. 32. *Amity Lodge, Dunnville.*
 V. W. Bro. Jabez Amsden, W.M.
 " " John Parry, P.M.
 " " Wm. Montague, P.M.
- No. 35. *St. John's Lodge, Cayuga.*
 W. Bro. T. H. Aikman, P.M.
 " D. N. Foreman, J.W.
- No. 36. *Welland Lodge, Fonthill.*
 V. W. Bro. Isaac P. Willson, P.M.
- No. 37. *King Hiram Lodge, Ingersoll.*
 Bro. P. J. Brown, S.W.
 W. " James Gustin, P.M.
- No. 38. *Trent Lodge, Trenton.*
 W. Bro. E. Stephens, W.M.
 " Wm. Shea, J.W.
 " " H. W. Day, P.M.
 " " George H. Gordon, P.M.
- No. 39. *Mount Zion Lodge, Prince Albert.*
 Bro. J. B. Bickell, J.W.
 W. " James Baird, P.M.
- No. 40. *St. John's Lodge, Hamilton.*
 W. Bro. Charles W. Smith, W.M.
 R. " " Thomss B. Harris, P.M.
 V. " " Thomas McCracken, P.M.
- No. 42. *St. George's Lodge, London.*
 W. Bro. Francis Westlake, W.M.
 " H. Waterman, S.W.
- No. 44. *St. Thomas Lodge, St. Thomas.*
 Bro. Rev. St. G. Caulfield.
- No. 45. *Brant Lodge, Brantford.*
 W. Bro. John W. Lethbridge, W.M.
 " Frederick Mudge, S.W.

- No. 46. *Wellington Lodge, Chatham.*
 W. Bro. John E. Brooke, W.M.
 R. " " C. J. S. Askin, P.M.
 " " R. J. Earl, P.M.
- No. 47. *Great Western Lodge, Windsor.*
 W. Bro. J. Hutton, W.M.
- No. 48. *Madoc Lodge, Madoc.*
 R.W. Bro. L. H. Henderson, (proxy.)
- No. 49. *Harington Lodge, Quebec.*
 W. Bro. Alex. Walker, P.M., and proxy.
- No. 50. *Consecon Lodge, Consecon.*
 Brh. Samuel Flagler, (proxy.)
- No. 51. *Corinthian Lodge, Grahamville.*
 W. Bro. Joseph Figg, W.M.
 " " Christopher Burrell, P.M.
- No. 53. *Shefford Lodge, Waterloo.*
 Bro. C. Skinner, J.W.
- No. 54. *Vaughan Lodge, Maple.*
 W. Bro. P. Patterson, W.M.
- No. 58. *Doric Lodge, Ottawa.*
 Bro. John J. Gemmell, J.W.
- No. 59. *Corinthian Lodge, Ottawa.*
 R. W. Bro. Robert Lyon, P.M.
- No. 61. *Acacia Lodge, Hamilton.*
 R. W. Bro. Thos. B. Harris, W.M.
- No. 62. *St. Andrew's Lodge, Caledonia.*
 R. W. Bro. Thos. B. Harris, P.M., (proxy.)
- No. 64. *Kilwinning Lodge, London.*
 Bro. Thos Browne, S.W.
- No. 66. *Durham Lodge, Newcastle.*
 W. Bro. H. S. Northrop, W.M.
 " " John A. Gairdner, P.M.
- No. 67. *St. Francis' Lodge, Richmond.*
 R. W. Bro. John H. Graham, P.M., and proxy.
- No. 69. *Stirling Lodge, Stirling.*
 W. Bro. J. Wolever, W.M.
- No. 71. *Victoria Lodge, Sherbrooke.*
 R. W. Bro. Geo. H. Borlase, P.M., and proxy.
- No. 72. *Alma Lodge, Galt.*
 W. Bro. Otto Klotz, P.M., and proxy.
 R. " " Æmilius Irving, P.M.

- No. 73. *St. James Lodge, St. Mary's.*
W. Bro. J. B. Hudson, W.M.
" " Jas. Macfadden, P.M.
- No. 74. *St. James Lodge, Maitland.*
R. W. Bro. Robt. Lyon, (proxy.)
- No. 75. *St. John's Lodge, Toronto.*
Bro. F. J. Menet, J.W.
W. Bro. John Kerr, P.M.
R. " " A. DeGrassi, P.M.
- No. 79. *Simcoe Lodge, Bradford.*
W. Bro. I. W. H. Wilson, W.M.
" " Thos. A. Horton, S.W.
" " Isaac Abbott, J.W.
- No. 80. *Albion Lodge, Newbury.*
R. W. Bro. C. J. S. Askin, (proxy.)
- No. 81. *St. John's Lodge, Delaware.*
W. Bro. Calvin J. Ladd, W.M.
- No. 82. *St. John's Lodge, Paris.*
W. Bro. Joseph Bullock, P.M., and proxy.
- No. 83. *Beaver Lodge, Strathroy.*
W. Bro. F. Westlake, (proxy.)
- No. 86. *Wilson Lodge, Toronto.*
R. W. Bro. Robt. Spence, P.M.
" " " Kivas Tully, P.M.
" " R. J. Kimball, P.M.
" John Segsworth, S.W.
" Dr. Campbell, J.W.
- No. 88. *St. George's Lodge, Owen Sound.*
W. Bro. Allan Cameron, W.M.
R. " " Henry Macpherson, P.M.
" Edward Todd, S.W.
- No. 90. *Manito Lodge, Collingwood.*
W. Bro. Henry Robertson, W.M.
" Wm. Robinson, S.W.
" John Nettleton, J.W.
- No. 91. *Colborne Lodge, Colborne.*
W. Bro. C. R. Ford, W.M.
- No. 92. *Cataraqui Lodge, Kingston.*
W. Bro. Henry Dumble, P.M., and proxy.
R. " " John V. Noel, P.M.
" " " C. D. Macdonnell, P.M.
- No. 93. *Northern Light Lodge, Kincardine.*
W. Bro. F. H. Lynch Staunton, (proxy.)

- No. 95. *Ridout Lodge, Otterville.*
R. W. Bro. Thos. B. Harris, (proxy.)
- No. 96. *Corinthian Lodge, Barrie.*
W. Bro. H. Fraser, W.M.
" M. H. Spencer, S.W.
" S. S. Meeking, J.W.
- No. 97. *Sharon Lodge, Sharon.*
W. Bro. Henry Mosier, W.M.
" George R. Hogaboom, S.W.
" " William Trent, P.M.
- No. 98. *True Blue Lodge, Albion.*
V.W. Bro. William Graham, W.M.
" " Robert Dick, S.W.
" " William Lynass, J.W.
- No. 99. *Tuscan Lodge, Newmarket.*
W. Bro. William Bishop, W.M.
" James Sykes, S.W.
V. " " N. Allan Gamble, P.M.
" " E. Jackson, P.M.
- No. 100. *Valley Lodge, Dundas.*
W. Bro. Thomas Miller, W.M.
" " James McMahon, P.M.
- No. 101. *Corinthian Lodge, Peterboro'.*
W. Bro. Richard White, W.M.
R.W. " Rev'd Vincent Clementi, P.M.
" " " C. D. Macdonnell, P.M.
- No. 103. *Maple Leaf Lodge, St. Catharines.*
R W. Bro. James Seymour, P.M.
" D. Robeson, jr., S.W.
" " Wm. B. Beeton, P.M.
- No. 105. *St. Mark's Lodge, Drummondville.*
R.W. Bro. James Seymour, (proxy.)
- No. 107. *St. Paul's Lodge, Lambeth.*
W. Bro. D. Burley Burch, W.M.
- No. 108. *Blenheim Lodge, Drumbo.*
W. Bro. S. D. Brown, W.M.
- No. 110. *Central Lodge, Prescott.*
W. Bro. Jas. Stephenson, (proxy.)
- No. 113. *Wilson Lodge, Waterford.*
W. Bro. John Wilson, (proxy.)
- No. 114. *Hope Lodge, Port Hope.*
V. W. Bro. H. V. Sanders, P.M., and proxy.
R. " " Thos. Ridout, P.M.

- No. 116. *Cassia Lodge, Widder.*
W. Bro. G. W. Holwell, W.M.
- No. 117. *Stanbridge Lodge, Stanbridge.*
W. Bro. D. W. Bryan, W.M.
- No. 118. *Union Lodge, Llyodtown.*
W. Bro. W. R. Jamison, W.M.
" J. W. Proctor, S.W.
- No. 119. *Maple Leaf Lodge, Bath.*
W. Bro. Jas. Johnston, W.M.
- No. 121. *Doric Lodge, Brantford.*
Bro. John McIntosh, J.W.
- No. 122. *Renfrew Lodge, Renfrew.*
W. Bro. Marcellus Crombie, (proxy.)
- No. 123. *The Belleville Lodge, Belleville.*
R. W. Bro. L. H. Henderson, P.M., and proxy.
" " John Taylor, P.M.
- No. 124. *Montreal Kilwinning Lodge, Montreal.*
W. Bro. Isaac H. Stearns, W.M.
R. " " John Renshaw, P.M.
- No. 126. *Golden Rule Lodge, Campbellford.*
W. Bro. Hugh O'Neil, W.M.
- No. 127. *Frank Lodge, Frankford.*
W. Bro. H. W. Day, (proxy.)
- No. 128. *Pembroke Lodge, Pembroke.*
R. W. Bro. Robt. Lyon, (proxy.)
- No. 129. *The Rising Sun Lodge, Aurora.*
W. Bro. W. Ireland, W.M.
V. " " Geo. L. Graham, P.M.
- No. 130. *Yamaska Lodge, Granby.*
R. W. Bro. John H. Graham, (proxy.)
- No. 131. *St. Lawrence Lodge, Southampton.*
W. Bro. F. H. L. Staunton, P.M., and proxy.
- No. 133. *Lebanon Forest Lodge, Fraceston.*
W. Bro. Thos. Gidley, P.M.
" Robert Mills, S.W.
- No. 135. *St. Clair Lodge, Milton.*
W. Bro. J. P. L. Eager, W.M.
" David Downie, S.W.
" " Robert Matheson, P.M.
- No. 136. *Richardson Lodge, Cashel.*
W. Bro. Elias B. Armstrong, W.M.
" " James Bowman, P.M.
" " John Stephenson, P.M.

- No. 137. *Pythagoras Lodge, Meaford.*
R. W. Bro. Henry Macpherson, (proxy.)
- No. 138. *Aylmer Lodge, Aylmer, C.E.*
R. W. Bro. Robert Lyon, (proxy.)
- No. 139. *Lebanon Lodge, Oshawa.*
Bro. John Boyd, S.W.
- No. 140. *Malahide Lodge, Aylmer, C.W.*
W. Bro. John E. Brooke, (proxy.)
- No. 141. *Tudor Lodge, Mitchell.*
V. W. Bro. Thos. Matheson, W.M.
- No. 142. *Excelsior Lodge, Morrisburg.*
R. W. Bro. A. G. Macdonell, W.M.
- No. 143. *Friendly Brother's Lodge, Iroquois.*
W. Bro. Jas. Stephenson, P.M.
- No. 144. *Tecumseh Lodge, Stratford.*
R. W. Bro. John Dutton, W.M.
" " " Charles Kahn, P.M.
- No. 146. *Prince of Wales Lodge, Newburgh.*
V. W. Bro. John M. Horsey, P.M., and proxy.
- No. 148. *Civil Service Lodge, Quebec.*
R. W. Bro. Thos. B. Harris, (proxy.)
- No. 149. *Erie Lodge, Port Dover.*
W. Bro. John Wilson, (proxy.)
- No. 150. *Hastings Lodge, Hastings.*
R. W. Bro. C. D. Macdonnell, (proxy.)
- No. 151. *The Grand River Lodge, Berlin.*
W. Bro. W. D. Perine, W.M.
- No. 153. *Burns Lodge, Wyoming.*
Bro. Thos. Ellison, (proxy.)
- No. 154. *Irving Lodge, Lucan.*
W. Bro. William Porte, W.M.
- No. 155. *Peterborough Lodge, Peterboro'.*
W. Bro. H. Lawson, W.M.
- No. 156. *York Lodge, Eglinton.*
W. Bro. Wm. Jackes, W.M.
" Jacob Snider, S.W.
" John Fisher, J.W.
" " Joseph Jackes, P.M.
- No. 158. *Alexandra Lodge, Oil Springs.*
W. Bro. Thos. Ellison, W.M.
- No. 159. *Goodwood Lodge, Richmond, C.W.*
R. W. Bro. Robt. Lyon, (proxy.)

- No. 160. *Quebec Garrison Lodge, Quebec.*
R. W. Bro. Thos. B. Harris, (proxy.)
- No. 161. *Percy Lodge, Warkworth.*
W. Bro. H. O'Neil, (proxy.)
- No. 162. *Forest Lodge, Wroxeter.*
R. W. Bro. Charles Kahn, (proxy.)
- No. 163. *Browne Lodge, Adamsville.*
W. Bro. Charles, Browne, W.M.
- No. 164. *Star in the East Lodge, Wellington.*
W. Bro. S. W. Flagler, S.W.
- No. 165. *Burlington Lodge, Wellington Square.*
, R. W. Bro. John Osborne, W.M.
" John Waldie, S.W.
- No. 166. *Wentworth Lodge, Stoney Creek.*
W. Bro. Walter Mackay, W.M.

LODGES UNDER DISPENSATION.

- Royal Albert, Montreal.*
R. W. Bro. A. A. Stevenson, (proxy.)
Merritt Lodge, Welland.
W. Bro. A. G. Hill, W.M.
Macnab Lodge, Port Colborne.
R. W. Bro. James Seymour, (proxy.)
Britannia Lodge, Seaforth.
R. W. Bro. Charles Kahn, (proxy.)
Prince of Wales Lodge, Iona.
W. Bro. John Cascaden, W.M.
Ayr Lodge, Ayr.
W. Bro. Schuyler D. Brown, W.M.
Victoria Lodge, Montreal.
Bro. Alex. Murray, S.W.
Walsingham Lodge, Port Rowan.
W. Bro. James Gustin, W.M.
Saint John's Lodge, South Potton.
W. Bro. Charles Browne, (proxy.)

A number of visiting brethren being in attendance, the M.W. Grand Master granted leave for the admission of Master Masons, in good standing, to the Visitors' gallery.

The Grand Secretary read the rules and regulations for the government of Grand Lodge during the time of business.

It was moved by R.W. Bro. Rev. Vincent Clementi, seconded by R.W. Bro. Hon. H. B. Bull, and

RESOLVED—That the minutes of the proceedings of Grand Lodge at its Ninth Annual Communication, held at the City of Hamilton, on Wednesday, the 13th July, A.D., 1864, and two following days, having been printed and copies thereof forwarded to all Lodges under this jurisdiction, be considered read, and the same be now confirmed.

The Grand Secretary read the minutes of proceedings of an Especial Communication of Grand Lodge, convened at the City of Montreal, on the 24th day of June, A.D., 1865, for the purpose of assisting the M. W. Grand Master in laying the corner stone of a new building, which were on motion confirmed.

The Grand Secretary read a letter from the M. W. Past Grand Master Harington, regretting his unavoidable absence from this Annual Communication of Grand Lodge, as likewise letters from V. W. Bro.'s E. A. Walker and W. B. Gallwey, of a similar purport.

The M. W. Grand Master read the following address to the brethren assembled in Annual Communication:—

ADDRESS.

To the Most Worshipful the Grand Lodge of Ancient Free and Accepted Masons of Canada, assembled in Annual Communication at Toronto, 12th July, 1865 :

BRETHREN :

The perfect period of seven years has passed away since the Grand Lodge assembled in this Hall, in Annual Communication. Many changes have taken place since then. Many who were with us then have been summoned by the Wise Master-Builder, from the earthly tabernacle, which their life

adorned, to fill their place, we humbly trust, as living stones in that temple not made with hands, which, in silence and in mystery, is built up in the land of rest. One whose commanding presence and whose genial nature challenged the respect and won the love of all who truly knew him, a venerable Knight; who, upon the occasion of our last meeting here, assisted in our deliberations, and helped to cement the union, since so richly fruitful, in the prosperity of our order—is now no more. Another, his deputy, like him, a faithful mason, has been called to come up higher; and many others have, during this period, filled up the measure of their earthly days. The tribute of an evergreen remembrance is due them in proportion as they were true to their masonic obligations. Far be it from us, in the increased prosperity of our order, which we have been permitted to see, to forget those who were active in their place, in that day of small things, in consolidating our influence and strengthening our position in the land. It was, brothers, comparatively speaking, a day of small things;—then we numbered about one hundred Lodges, our financial condition was by no means commensurate with our dignity as a Grand Lodge; our work far from satisfactory; we were acknowledged by few sister Grand Lodges. Now we have over one hundred and seventy Lodges; our income is, in some degree, creditable to our position; in our working, although there is yet much room for improvement, we have made decided advances, and there is no Grand Lodge throughout the world with which we are not upon terms of friendly and fraternal intercourse. These indications of prosperity, while they give proof to the truth of the proverbial saying “in unity is strength,” call loudly upon us for thanksgiving to the Great Architect of the Universe, and incite us to renewed efforts, in the faithful performance of our masonic duties, for the well-being of our race and the advancement of our order. I trust that neither the example of those sturdy workmen who have gone before us to their reward, nor the lessons taught us by God’s blessing on their skilful work be lost upon us, who are yet left to share in the weight of responsibility or in the labor of our honorable craft, the burden and heat of the day.

LODGES UNDER DISPENSATIONS.

Since the last Annual Communication of Grand Lodge, I have granted Dispensations for the erection of the following new Lodges.

Royal Albert,	Montreal,	on 26th October, 1864.
Merritt,	Welland,	" 14th November, "
Macnab,	Port Colborne,	" 6th December "
Britannia,	Seaforth,	" 6th December, "
Prince of Wales.	Iona,	" 14th February, 1865.
Ayr,	Ayr,	" 4th March, "
Victoria,	Montreal,	" 27th March "
Walsingham,	Port Rowan,	" 25th April, "
Saint John's.	South Potton,	" 26th May, "
Spartan,	Sparta,	" 20th June, "

It remains for Grand Lodge to confirm them in their privileges by granting warrants, which, I am happy to say may safely be done, as I have taken great care not to issue any Dispensation until fully satisfied of the competency of the proposed officers to govern the Lodge and confer the first three degrees of Masonry. One of the first rules laid down by me, on being elected to the high office I have the honor to hold, was under no circumstances whatever to grant a Dispensation for a new Lodge, unless in addition to the usual requirements of the Constitution, the petition was accompanied by a certificate from the D. D. G. M. of the district where the proposed Lodge was to be located, setting forth that the W. Master elect was fully competent not only to rule the Lodge, but also to confer the first three degrees of Masonry as recognized by the Grand Lodge of Canada, thus insuring the proper working of every new Lodge.

Two applications have been made to me for Dispensations for new Lodges, which I have felt constrained to refuse ; one for a Lodge that would have interfered with existing Lodges in that vicinity and was consequently not recommended by the D.D.G.M., the other for a Lodge, " North Missisquoi," to be held at South Potton, because the W. M. elect, proved, on enquiry, to be unable to rule the Lodge or confer the degrees in the prescribed manner.

Amity Lodge, No. 32, and Wellington Lodge, No. 52, both held at Dunville, having arrived at the wise conclusion that one healthy and flourishing Lodge would be of infinitely more advantage to our order in their locality than two weak and sickly ones, amalgamated with my concurrence, and No. 52 having been dissolved, the warrant has been surrendered and is now in the custody of the Grand Secretary.

WANT OF UNIFORMITY IN WORK.

I am constrained to draw the attention of Grand Lodge to the fact that there is far, very far from that uniformity of work in our several subordinate Lodges, which is so necessary to the welfare and prosperity of our order. During the past year, I have been frequently called upon to settle disputed points, and have been unpleasantly reminded that our present system of communicating Masonic instruction through our D. D. G. M.'s, does not by any means meet the demands of the Craft. The D. D. G. M.'s, have I doubt not, done all in their power to instruct the Lodges in their several Districts, but as they are men, who are all more or less engaged in professional or mercantile pursuits, it would be utterly impossible for them, without detriment to their private affairs, to devote that time and attention to their Masonic duties which the instruction of the Craft requires. Under these circumstances, I would therefore earnestly impress upon Grand Lodge the necessity of taking immediate steps to meet the requirements of the Craft in this respect, and would strongly recommend as the best means of doing so, that one or two Grand Lecturers be appointed, and that some adequate plan be arranged for their remuneration.

In consequence of the resolution passed by Grand Lodge, at its last Annual Communication, in reference to St. George's Lodge, Montreal, No. $\frac{643}{443}$, E. R. declaring said Lodge to be entitled to full and free recognition, I, on the 20th of September last, issued my edict to all our subordinate Lodges and Brethren, directing them to cultivate and exchange friendly intercourse with said Lodge, thus setting at rest, I trust forever, this irritating and vexatious question, a question which in my opinion should

never have arisen, for had Grand Lodge only been true to herself, and insisted upon her inalienable rights, she would not have been placed in the anomalous position of claiming to be the Grand Lodge of Canada, and yet having Lodges within her jurisdiction, who owe her no allegiance. No doubt this concession was made from a desire to establish that peace and harmony which is so dear to the heart of every true mason, but unfortunately it has failed in doing so, and is actually at this moment, the fertile source of strife and contention, as will be seen by a communication which I have received from St. John's Lodge, No. 68, Ingersoll, which I have directed the Board of General Purposes to lay before you, in order that some action may be taken to put a stop to the gross and crying evil therein complained of.

MASONIC JURISPRUDENCE.

Many questions of Masonic law have been submitted for my decision during the past year, and as such questions are constantly arising, I deem it of importance that these decisions should be made known to the Craft, in order, as far as possible, to establish uniformity of practice.

On the 25th August last, application was made to me on behalf of the members of the Quebec Garrison Lodge, for permission to elect a new master in place of the one named in the Dispensation and Warrant, he having removed with his Regiment to the City of Montreal. After careful consideration, I decided that this application could not be entertained for the following reasons :—

1st. The Worshipful Master of a Lodge, even if he were willing to resign, has not the power to do so under the Constitution.

2nd. The Officers and Brethren having solemnly promised obedience to their W. M. at his installation, he could of course, command it at any time he returned to the Lodge within the year.

3rd. That as it is absolutely necessary that a brother should

have held the office of W. M. for a full year before he can rank as a Past Master and be entitled as such to a seat in Grand Lodge, it would be gross injustice to sacrifice the rights of the individual to the whims and wishes of the many.

In November last, I received a letter from the Secretary of Beaver Lodge, No. 83, requesting to be informed whether it would be improper to initiate a person into our mysteries who was lame from an injury he had received in the hip, and in May last, I also received a communication from the Past Master of Trent Lodge, No. 38, desiring to know whether he would be justified in reporting favorably of a candidate who had lost his right arm.

In both cases I decided that the candidate could not be received, for, in my opinion, no person should be initiated into the mysteries of Free Masonry who is either maimed, halt, or blind, or who might not, in fact be termed a perfect stone for our Masonic edifice. I am well aware that there are many fathers of the Craft who differ from my views on this subject; but as we must all act according to our own conscientious convictions, and the light we have received, I could not do otherwise than enforce that view which I considered most likely to conduce to the welfare and prosperity of our order.

An application of a somewhat singular character was made to me in December last, being no less than for a Dispensation to install the Officers of a Lodge in public! How any Worshipful Master could have dreamed of such a thing is a mystery to me. Of course I refused to grant the Dispensation.

Several questions having reference to honorary membership have been submitted for my decision, which for the sake of conciseness, I shall give in the form of questions and answers:

Q. Can an honorary member, who has been elected as such by an open vote, be elected an officer of that Lodge?

A. He cannot; no brother can be an officer of a Lodge until he has been admitted a member thereof by ballot in accordance with the Constitution.

Q. Can a brother, who was a paying member of a Lodge at

the time he was made an honorary member, be elected an officer of that Lodge?

A. He can, but must become a paying member during the time he holds office ; this does not, however, apply to a Chaplain.

BY-LAWS.

In accordance with my promise to Grand Lodge, at the last Annual Communication, I directed the Grand Secretary, to issue a Circular to all the subordinate Lodges, directing them to forward him a copy of their By-Laws, for my inspection and approval, in order as far as possible, to establish uniformity in the Government of the Craft. On examining the copies which were transmitted to me, I found that most of them contained clauses which I considered objectionable, but as they had in many instances received the confirmation of my predecessors, I, in courtesy and deference to them, refrained from making those alterations which I considered necessary, preferring, if any action were taken in reference to them, that it should proceed from the Grand Lodge.

What I most object to in these By-Laws, is that they infringe the rights of the individual Brother, which should be quite as much protected as those of a Lodge. As for instance in the following By-Law :

“Any Brother who has failed to pay his dues for six months, shall not be permitted to vote in the Lodge, or ballot for a Candidate, until his dues are paid up.”—This is clearly unconstitutional, for no brother can be deprived of any of his rights or privileges without due trial, neither can a brother be suspended for non-payment of dues until he has been duly summoned to show cause why he should not be suspended ; should no attention be paid to the summons then of course the case would go by default, but if the Brother attend he has a right to a trial.

It having been reported to me by Brother S. Baker, W. Master of Prevost Lodge No. 1, that the Warrant of said Lodge had disappeared from the Lodge Room under very peculiar and suspicious circumstances, I instructed the D.G.M. to proceed to

Dunham to enquire into the facts of the case, which he accordingly did with great care and judgment, and on its appearing from his report, that the same care had been taken of the Warrant as in previous years, I directed the Grand Secretary to issue a duplicate Warrant to the Lodge, said Warrant to be returned in the event of the recovery of the old one. As this case may, however, call for further adjudication, I have placed all the documents in connection therewith in the hands of the Board of General Purposes for your information.

It having been intimated to me that on the 6th February last, two Candidates had been black-balled in Maple Leaf Lodge, No. 119, and that afterwards by a resolution of the Lodge, the consideration of said ballot was postponed until the next regular meeting, at which time the candidates were again balloted for and accepted, and one of them initiated. I at once wrote to the Worshipful Master, directing him to send me a copy of the minutes of the last three meetings of the Lodge, on receipt of which, finding the charges only too true, I suspended the Lodge, until such time as I could personally investigate the circumstances attending this gross violation of Masonic Law. Subsequently I received a communication signed by the Worshipful Master, Wardens, Past Master, and Secretary, most humbly acknowledging their fault, pleading ignorance as the cause, and throwing themselves on my clemency and forbearance. Having however, in the interim received formal charges against the Lodge, I deemed it still advisable to hold the investigation, and accordingly directed the Lodge, and the Brothers preferring the charges, to meet me in Bath, on the 28th April, at which time I carefully entered upon the investigation; although the facts as already stated, were fully borne out in the enquiry, I nevertheless became convinced that nought had been done except through ignorance, or strange as it may appear, a desire to preserve peace and harmony in the Lodge, which taken together with the evident contrition of the Officers and Brethren, induced me to treat the Lodge more leniently, than I otherwise would have done. After therefore severely reprimanding the Worshipful Master, Officers and Brethren for their conduct, I informed them that I should only continue their suspension until

the 5th of the following month, (making the suspension in all, two months,) after which the Lodge might again proceed to work. but that under no consideration would I permit the candidate who has been black-balled, and afterwards accepted, to be initiated, nor would I for *the present* allow the Candidate who had been initiated to be *advanced*.

It is my melancholy duty to report, and I am sure you will receive the announcement with heartfelt sorrow, that since our last meeting we have lost one whose name was intimately connected with Grand Lodge from its formation. On the 5th October last, R. W. Brother Wm. Bellhouse, for several years Grand Treasurer, afterwards D.D.G.M. for the Hamilton District, and lastly a member of the Board of General Purposes, was carried to his last long resting place by the brethren of Hamilton. I trust the Grand Lodge will take an early opportunity of paying a tribute of respect to the memory of so worthy a brother.

I regret I have been unable to visit as many of the Lodges during the past year as I would have desired. I had much pleasure, however, in visiting the Lodges in Montreal and Toronto, where I was received with that fraternal kindness and hospitality which have always distinguished them,

Many matters of importance will be submitted for your consideration by the Board of General Purposes, amongst others that of the finances of Grand Lodge to which I desire particularly to draw your attention; by the Grand Secretary's annual report it would appear that the net income of Grand Lodge for 1864 exclusive of interest from investments was \$3,150 25, and that the total amount of funds invested and otherwise belonging to Grand Lodge is \$15,829 55, which if properly invested ought to yield between twelve and fifteen hundred dollars per annum more, with the exception however of \$1,600 invested in Middlesex Debentures at six and a half per cent, this sum is lying in the Bank yielding only four per cent, and thus is Grand Lodge deprived of a large sum that might be applied to benevolent and charitable purposes. What I therefore suggest is that this sum be immediately invested either in County Debentures, good Bank stock or Bonds and Mortgages, and that we one and all exert every

energy we possess to increase our fund of Benevolence and make it worthy of Grand Lodge. Whilst on the subject of Masonic charity I would draw attention to the fact that whilst many other Grand Lodges annually place a certain sum at the disposal of their Grand Master in order that he may be able to relieve the urgent wants of those who apply to him. To whom should a Mason apply if not to his Grand Master? yet Grand Lodge last year, I believe inadvertently, omitted to make any such provision, thus throwing the G. M. entirely on his own resources to meet the immediate and pressing want of those brothers who applied to him. I would therefore earnestly recommend this subject to the consideration of the brethren, for although, as they are well aware, I am opposed to the G. M. checking out the funds of the Grand Lodge, I nevertheless, think he should have a certain amount placed at his disposal for charitable purposes, and not be placed in such a position to be obliged at times to send a deserving mason from his door without adequate relief.

We live, my brethren, in eventful times, a mighty political agitation on our borders is, thank God, drawing to its close. Across the wide Atlantic many changes have taken place, and yet upon the dim horizon of the future portentous clouds loom up. Who can foresee the end? We may speculate, but who can know? While it behoves the Mason in accordance with the time-honored laws of the craft as such to keep aloof from all political concerns, it is yet his duty as a member of a world-wide organization, powerful in its isolation, strong in the oneness of its purpose, to take a comprehensive view of the affairs of this life, and in the faithful performance of his individual duties, to seek, in all, the aggrandizement of our ancient and beloved order, in the furtherance of those objects for which it exists. This fact we shall do well to bear in mind.

In conclusion my brethren, permit me to return you, my heartfelt acknowledgements for the honor you conferred upon me, in elevating me to the exalted and responsible position of Grand Master of Masons in Canada. It is a distinction of which the highest in the Realm might feel proud, and is one which I shall ever reflect upon with feelings of the deepest gratification.

My official duties during the past year have occasionally been onerous and sometimes perplexing ; among the various decisions I have rendered, some doubtless, may not have given that uniform satisfaction which I could have desired, nevertheless, I have the consciousness of knowing, that in all cases, I have kept in view the best interests of the craft and the claims of my solemn obligations. I am deeply indebted to those in authority under me, and would here tender them my thanks for their kind and active co-operation with me in all my efforts to advance the interests of our order ; but to that efficient and meritorious officer, your Grand Secretary, in particular, do I desire to address them for his untiring zeal and earnest efforts at all times to advance the interests of Masonry, and to discharge the arduous duties of his office.

Finally, my brethren, may the G. A. O. T. U. continue His blessings to us, and those belonging to us, and may our present labors, thus begun in order, be conducted in peace and closed in harmony.

W. B. SIMPSON,

Grand Master.

It was moved by R. W. Bro. A. A. Stevenson, seconded by R. W. Bro. James Milne, and

RESOLVED.—That the address of the M. W. Grand Master be referred to the Board of General Purposes, to report a reply thereto at the earliest possible period.

The reports of the District Deputy Grand Masters for the various Masonic Districts were read :—

LONDON DISTRICT.

To the Most Worshipful the Grand Master, Officers and Brethren of the Grand Lodge of Canada, in Grand Lodge assembled :

In submitting my report upon the condition of Freemasonry in the London District, it affords me much pleasure to remark upon the improvement that has taken place, during the past year, in the working of the numerous Lodges under my control, more

particularly in this improvement to be observed in the Lodges situated in the remote Townships of the District where Masonic instruction is with difficulty obtained.

With one exception, all the Lodges have adopted the working recommended by the Grand Lodge.

I am happy to say that but few masonic complaints have been brought before me during the year, and those of so trifling a character as to be easily adjusted without reference to Grand Lodge—one case only of suspension for unmasonic conduct having been reported to me.

Dispensations were granted by me to the following Lodges, for celebrating the Festival of St. John the Evangelist, in December last, viz :—To St. John's Lodge, No. 20, London, and Great Western Lodge, No. 47, Windsor. I also granted Dispensations to appear in masonic clothing to the brethren of Burns Lodge, Wyoming, and Prince of Wales Lodge, Iona; to the former, on the occasion of a ball being given by them, at Wyoming; to the brethren of Alexandra Lodge, on the 23rd of June last; and to the latter, to enable them to take part in the laying of the foundation stone, on the 24th of May, of a new Presbyterian Church, about to be erected in St. Thomas.

Only two Masonic deaths have been reported to me, viz :—that of Brother P. J. Dunn, an old and much respected member of St. George's Lodge, No. 42, London; he departed this life on the 22nd of February, and was interred, with Masonic honors, on the 24th of the same month. Brother J. Barr, also of St. George's, No 42, died in Detroit, Michigan, U.S., on the 10th of April last, and was buried on the 13th.

On the 13th April, I received an invitation from the Worshipful Master of St. Thomas Lodge, No. 44, to be present at St. Thomas on the anniversary of the birth-day of our most Gracious Majesty, and assist him in laying the foundation stone of a new Presbyterian Church, about to be erected in that town. I regret to say that severe indisposition prevented my attending, but I have since learned with pleasure, that Most Worshipful Past Grand Master Wilson, and R. W. Brother Harris, Grand

Secretary, honored the occasion with their presence, and assisted at the ceremony.

I cannot conclude this report without returning my thanks to the Officers and Brethren of the Lodges within my District, for the uniform kindness and courtesy shown to me, while in the discharge of duties appertaining to my office.

All which is respectfully submitted,

CHARLES J. S. ASKIN,

D. D. G. M., London District.

CHATHAM, 3rd July, 1865.

WILSON DISTRICT.

To the Most Worshipful the Grand Lodge of Canada :

In compliance with the regulations of Grand Lodge, I beg to submit a brief report of Masonry in the Wilson District.

With regard to the state of Masonry in this District, I am, I regret to say, unable to make report satisfactory even to myself, having been able to visit but few of the Lodges, as it was my duty to have visited *all*, and my most anxious desire to do, but official duties interposed, in a great degree, to prevent carrying out my wishes.

From the visits made and information obtained from Brethren in various parts of the District, I am able to say that a healthy progress has been made in Masonry. All of the Lodges in the District, with one exception, being now conducted in accordance with the ritual of Grand Lodge.

I have granted four Dispensations during the year. One to Norfolk Lodge, No. 10, to celebrate the laying of the cape-stone of the new Court House at Simcoe; one to King Hiram Lodge, No. 37, and St. John's Lodge, No. 68, Ingersoll. For a Masonic Ball on St. John the Evangelist's Day, and two to hold Masonic pic-nics on St. John the Baptist's Day, viz:—Ridout Lodge, No. 95, Otterville; and King Solomon's Lodge, No. 43, Woodstock.

I am pleased to know the enjoyment of the Brethren in those places has been enhanced by these privileges.

I have had, I am happy to say, no complaints to investigate during the year; the only case was one of appeal referred to me by Grand Lodge from last year. Not having received the papers in connection with that case until late in the year, there was some delay in the investigation, of which, however, I have made a special report to the Grand Lodge, through the Grand Secretary.

The Most Worshipful Grand Master was pleased, through my recommendation, to grant a Dispensation to open a new Lodge at Port Rowan, called the Walsingham Lodge, and at the request of the W.M., elect, I attended on the 6th instant at Port Rowan, and with the valuable assistance of R. W. Br. C. Mathieson, P. D. D. G. M., and W. Bro. Wilson, W. M. of Norfolk Lodge, No. 10, and W. Bro. Past Master Williamson and other Brethren from Simcoe, opened the Walsingham Lodge, the W. M. of which will attend Grand Lodge with his books, and if found worthy, I trust a Warrant will be granted to them on payment of the fees.

In concluding this brief report, I would express my warmest acknowledgments to the Brethren for the kind and cordial manner in which I have been received by them wherever an opportunity of visiting has occurred, the recollection of which will be long and fondly cherished by me, with a sincere regret that more imperative duties prevented me rendering them more essential service.

All which is most respectfully submitted.

D. CURTIS,

D. D. G. M., Wilson District.

HURON DISTRICT.

To the Most Worshipful Grand Master, Officers and Members of the Grand Lodge of Canada :

In accordance with the Constitutional usage, I have much pleasure in submitting my annual report on the condition of

Masonry, in the District over which I have had the honor to be placed, and in so doing, I am glad to be able to state that the Craft is both healthy and prosperous.

It is true there are Lodges which have not yet acquired the the recognized work, but this is rather to be attributed to the lack of opportunity than to want of inclination. Indeed I have found throughout my extended jurisdiction an ardent desire for Masonic knowledge, which I have ever been anxious to impart.

Lebanon Forest Lodge, No. 133, Franceston, deputed its Senior Warden to visit me last fall for instruction, and the information he received was such, I trust, as may be beneficial, not alone to his own Lodge, but to the sister Lodges in the neighborhood.

Although, numerically speaking, Huron District may not be one of the largest, yet from its area, the duties devolving upon the District Deputy Grand Master are very onerous. I have, however, with but three exceptions visited every Lodge in the District during the year, and some of them as often as three and four times.

I had intended visiting Northern Light and St. Lawrence Lodges; but as at least five days would be required to accomplish the journey, I was reluctantly compelled to abandon my design.

Some provision, I think, should be made on the part of several Lodges to defray the necessary expense of visiting them, for, notwithstanding the great and undoubted honor conferred by the office, but few would undertake the proper discharge of its duties at the sacrifice of so much time and money.

I would also respectfully suggest that Districts should be called upon to provide a Regalia for the use of the District Deputy Grand Masters during their respective terms of office.

The Lodges in the Huron District, though many of them are young, give evidence of strength and vigor. They work harmoniously, and exercise a judicious discrimination in the facilities afforded them by the ballot, of selecting the best material for the builder's use.

I granted Dispensations for celebrating the Festival of St.

John the Evangelist, in December last, to the following Lodges : Alma, No. 72, Galt ; St. Lawrence, No. 131, Southampton ; Lebanon Forest, No. 133, Franceston ; and Irving, No. 154, Lucan ; as well as a Dispensation to Lebanon Forest, No. 133, to celebrate the Festival of St. John the Baptist.

Applications were made through me for Warrants, for establishing new Lodges at Seaforth and Ayr, the one to be called Britannia Lodge, and the other Ayr Lodge ; and on my certifying that the Masters named were skilled in the established degrees, the Most Worshipful Grand Master issued his Dispensations for the establishment of these Lodges, and which, I hope, will be confirmed by Grand Lodge granting to them Warrants of Constitution.

Whilst on this subject, I cannot pass over in silence the credit due the Charter members of Britannia Lodge, for the true Masonic spirit displayed by them in fitting up their Lodge Room, making it the handsomest in the District, in this respect causing it to conform with their work, which is second to none in the Province.

The death of Brother John Caldwell, S. D., Forest Lodge, No. 162, was reported to me on the 14th of April ; and this, so far as I am aware of, is the only case of mortality which has occurred among the members of the Fraternity in this District, during my year of office. But there was a lamented death last year which, strictly speaking, ought to have been reported by my worthy predecessor—his own brother Frederick Dutton, who died on the 1st of July, 1864, aged twenty-five, from the effects of a gunshot wound, the result of an accident.

I am happy to be able to say there has been no Masonic complaint reported to me during my incumbency. The year having begun, continued and ended in peace and harmony—the District being in the happy position of the country, without annals—my report must be necessarily brief.

But I cannot bring it to a close without acknowledging the fraternal kindness and courteous treatment I have invariably

received at the hand of the Worshipful Masters, Officers and Members of the several Lodges within my District.

All which is respectfully submitted.

CHARLES KAHN,

D. D. G. M., Huron District.

HAMILTON DISTRICT.

M.W. SIR AND BROTHER,

Since the last Annual Communication of Grand Lodge, I have had the pleasure of visiting a number of Lodges in my District, and have to report the best of Masonic feeling pervading the Craft within my jurisdiction. I have not had during the term one unmasonic action brought under my notice, and wherever my advice has been asked and given, it has been cheerfully complied with.

The general working of the Craft is good, and in conformity to the work laid down by the Grand Lodge of Canada. In one instance only, did I find the work such as not to pass inspection, but on pointing out the defects and shortcomings, the W. M. and officers, promised immediate amendment.

I have also much pleasure in reporting to Grand Lodge, that as far as I have been able to judge the work done in my District has been carefully selected, and I feel confident that it will reflect credit on the Craft in general; numbers not having been sought after so much as sterling worth.

There have been two new Lodges recommended by me for Dispensations, which were granted by the M. W. G. M., the Merritt Lodge, at Welland, and the Maenab Lodge, at Port Colborne. I have also had the pleasure of installing the officers of Burlington Lodge, at Wellington Square, under Warrant of this Grand Lodge, granted at the last Annual Communication, and having visited the Lodge since, I am happy to report that the work is good.

Dispensations have been granted by me to the Hamilton City

Lodges; the Valley Lodge, Dundas, and three Lodges in the vicinity of Cayuga, to meet in masonic clothing and celebrate their annual festivals.

All which is respectfully submitted,

H. B. BULL,

D.D.G.M., Hamilton District.

TORONTO DISTRICT.

To the Most Worshipful the Grand Master and Grand Lodge of Canada.

With the exception of one highly irritating subject, chiefly affecting the Toronto City Lodges, I am very happy in being able to report that, so far as I have information, the utmost harmony exists throughout the Lodges of this District.

I have very sincere pleasure in reporting the revival of Richmond Lodge, No. 23. This Lodge had for a period of eighteen months ceased working. Through the exertions, however, of Brother Bernard and a few other zealous masons, resident at and around Richmond Hill, regular meetings of this Lodge have been resumed. In furthering this good work at Richmond Hill, I have thankfully to acknowledge the very valuable services of V. W. Brother Daniel Spry—who in consequence of my health not permitting me to engage in masonic labor during the hours when Lodges usually hold their meetings—volunteered his services to aid in restoring this Lodge. V. W. Brother Spry, has been eminently successful in his efforts and has since its resuscitation guided its affairs with much discretion and ability; and on last St John's Day, duly installed the newly elected W.M., and other Officers. V. W. Brother Spry continues his efforts for the good of Richmond Lodge, filling during the present year the chair of P.M.

I have heard with much pleasure that steps are being taken for the revival of Rehoboam Lodge in this City.

I have granted Dispensations during the past year as follows :—

1. To Pythagoras Lodge, Meaford, for an excursion to Penetanguishene.

2. To St. Andrew's Lodge, Toronto, for a Masonic party, in which all the City Lodges took part, and which produced in aid of the benevolent fund, the sum of \$116.

3. To Tuscan Lodge, Newmarket, for their Annual Ball.

4. To Markham Union Lodge, Markham, for the Annual Festival of that Lodge.

5. To St. George's Lodge, Owen Sound, for an excursion from Owen Sound to McGregor's Harbor.

It appears to me that in many instances, the granting of Dispensations is regarded as a matter of course, and that the District Deputy has merely to forward such when so required. I allude of course to those of an ordinary character, such as for the holding the Annual Festivals of Lodges.

As there is really nothing peculiar in the nature of these festivals and as the District Deputy must be almost entirely guided by the opinions of the W.M. of the Lodges requiring such, it is possible that a more simple mode might be adopted, thereby saving a considerable amount of time and correspondence.

A Right Worshipful Brother of great experience has called my attention to the subject of debts of private Lodges. As there can scarcely be anything more injurious to the good working, and stability of Lodges, than perpetual financial embarrassment. Some expression of the opinion of Grand Lodge on this subject, might be of great advantage.

In the opinions expressed by different District Deputies, last year and in preceding years, as to the impossibility under the present system of Professional or Business men, visiting all the Lodges throughout extensive Districts—and even if it were possible to do so, and the expense of no consideration, such visits must necessarily be of too brief a character to warrant any just opinion of comparative progress.

This most important subject was discussed at considerable length, at the Hamilton meeting of the Board of General Purposes last year, and it is to be hoped that during the present session, such recommendations may be submitted to Grand Lodge as will receive its sanction and obviate all necessity for the repeated expressions of regret by District Deputies of their inability to visit the various Lodges of their Districts.

I have already referred to the fact, of my state of health not permitting me to attend to Masonic work at night. When I undertook the duties of District Deputy, I had hopes of ability to visit all the Lodges of this District. With much regret I have to report that I have been unable to extend my visits beyond the five Lodges within this City. Still were my health as robust as ever, I feel that in justice to my other employments, I could not visit the Lodges, upwards of twenty in number, even *once*, and that no business man could possibly visit them oftener without prejudice to his private interests.

All which is respectfully submitted,

ROBERT SPENCE,

D.D.G.M., Toronto District.

July 10th, 1865.

ONTARIO DISTRICT.

To the Most Worshipful the Grand Master, and Grand Lodge of Canada.

In accordance with the requirements of the Constitution, I beg to submit the annual report for the Ontario District, over which I have had the honor to preside during the past year.

I regret to say that I have not been able to visit many of the Lodges, in this extensive District, during the past year, but am pleased to remark, that those I have had an opportunity of visiting are in a healthy and prosperous condition, and as far as I have been able to ascertain, the Lodges which have been under my jurisdiction, are generally making material progress and adding considerably to their numbers.

I have had the privilege to grant two Dispensations during the year, both for processions; one to Percy Lodge, Warkworth, and one to United Lodge, Brighton. I also granted permission to Mount Zion Lodge, to remove from Prince Albert in the Township of Reach to Brooklin in the Township of Whitby.

All which is respectfully submitted.

J. MILNE,

D.D.G.M., Ontario District.

BOWMANVILLE, 6th July, 1865.

PRINCE EDWARD DISTRICT.

To the Most Worshipful the Grand Master and Grand Lodge of Free and Accepted Masons of Canada:

M. W. SIR AND BRETHREN:

In accordance with the requirements of the Grand Lodge, I beg leave to present the following Report of my proceedings in the District over which I have the honor to preside.

This being the second year that I have occupied the exalted position of D. D. G. M. of the Prince Edward District, it gives me much pleasure now, as it did on last year, to state that our time-honored institution is working harmoniously and well.

My labors as District Deputy Grand Master have been comparatively easy owing to the efficient manner that the duties have been performed by my predecessors in office, R. W. Bro. Alfred A. Campbell and R. W. Bro. John C. Franck.

I regret, that from various causes I have been unable to visit many of the Lodges as often as I would have wished; however, it gives me much pleasure to state, that no complaints from any of the Lodges in the District have been laid before me, which I consider of sufficient importance to bring under the notice of the Grand Lodge. I beg leave to report that, on the 27th of December last past, I had the honor of installing the Officers of Moira Lodge, Belleville.

In the month of July last, I had the honor to receive a Dispensation from the Most Worshipful the Grand Master to lay the corner stone of a Church of England in Tamworth, on which occasion I was ably assisted by the Grand Senior Warden, R. W. Bro. Edmond J. Sisson, the Past Grand Junior Warden, R. W. Bro. B. C. Davy, and a number of the brethren of Moira and The Belleville Lodges, Belleville; Union Lodge, Napance; and Prince of Wales Lodge, Newburgh. The proceedings passed off harmoniously and in strict accordance with the ancient usages of the order. In February last past, I forwarded a petition together with the requisite fee of \$20, for the formation of a new Lodge at Arnprior, and I am informed that a Dispensation has not yet been granted. Not being able to comply with the requirements of the Grand Master, or to certify that the Master therein nominated was able to conduct the ceremonies in accordance with the ritual of Grand Lodge, the petition was forwarded to the Grand Master for consideration without such recommendation, for him to take such action in the matter as to him should seem proper. I have since learned and have reason for believing that the Brother so nominated is in every way well qualified for the position, and would therefore recommend that Grand Lodge order a Warrant to be issued. I would again urge upon Grand Lodge the propriety of re-dividing this Masonic District, I would recommend that the County of Renfrew be attached to the Central Districts, and the County of Northumberland be attached to the Prince Edward District.

In consequence of the elevation of R. W. Bro. E. J. Sisson, to the Grand Senior Warden's chair, the office of District Grand Secretary became vacant. I appointed Bro. Robert L. Innes and feel pleasure in recording my satisfaction with the manner in which he has performed his duties. I cannot close the report without thanking the brethren of the various Lodges in the District for the uniform consideration and kindness with which I have been treated during my term of office.

With best wishes for the well being of the craft.

I remain M. W. Sir, Officers and Brethren,

Yours fraternally,

L. H. HENDERSON.

CENTRAL DISTRICT.

To the Most Worshipful the Grand Lodge of Ancient Free and Accepted Masons of Canada.

In submitting my report as District Deputy for the Central District, I have to regret that my business avocations prevented my visiting as many of the Lodges during my year of office as I had intended, and duty required ; but I feel that it is almost impossible for one person, even should he be able to visit every Lodge in so large a District, to spare time to instruct those lodges in the proper working of the order, the want of which instruction seems to be the greatest barrier to the progress of Masonry throughout the District.

I may also state that the distances to be travelled, prevent experienced brethren from accompanying the District Deputy, and it seldom occurs in the Lodges requiring instruction, that enough members can be found conversant with the proper working of the order, to fill the chairs, and so enable the District Deputy to give any practical knowledge or instruction in the working to the members ; I would therefore take the liberty of recommending as a remedy, that the Districts as at present existing, should be re-arranged, creating a greater number and consequently giving less territory to each, by which means the District Deputies (and there are plenty worthy brethren I have no doubt, prepared to fill the positions,) might be enabled more frequently to visit the Lodges within their respective Districts, and repeat the instruction until each lodge would be conversant therewith, and so assimilate the working of all to that required by the Grand Lodge of Canada, and I regret to say, that many Lodges within my District are far from working correctly, though the members of each are most desirous to acquire the proper mode.

I would also respectfully submit that Grand Lodge should have prepared proper minute and other books required by the Lodges, and compel each to supply themselves therewith, as from a want thereof, we find many of the Lodges not knowing what is really required, and so keeping their records in a most unsatisfactory state.

As an application is about being made for a Warrant, for a new Lodge in the city of Ottawa, to be called "The Builders' Lodge." I have great pleasure in recommending the same to the favorable consideration of Grand Lodge.

During my year of office I have granted Dispensations to St. Francis' Lodge, No. 24, at Smith's Falls, to attend Church in Regalia, on the 27th of December, (St. John's day); to True Briton's Lodge, No. 14, at Perth, to appear in Regalia at a Ball, on 25th day of January last, and to the Mississippi Lodge, No. 147, at Almonte, to lay the corner stone of a new Church.

It affords me much pleasure in conclusion, to say that no charges of any kind have been brought before me for adjudication during my term of office, and I desire to bear testimony to the harmonious and peaceful working of the craft throughout the Central District generally.

All which is respectfully submitted,

ROBERT LYON,

D.D.G.M., Central District.

OTTAWA, 8th July, 1865.

MONTREAL DISTRICT.

To the Most Worshipful the Grand Lodge of Canada.

I have the honor to submit the following brief report, regarding the condition of free-masonry in the Montreal District.

In the months of October and March, ultimo, the M.W. Grand Master issued Dispensations to the Royal Albert, and Victoria Lodges respectively, both of which are in such flourishing and efficient condition as will, I trust, ensure their being placed on the list of warranted Lodges.

The Lodges in this District are now seven in number, viz :

<i>Antiquity,</i>	No. —	Montreal,
<i>St. George's,</i>	No. 19	"
<i>Zetland,</i>	No. 21	"

<i>Hoyle,</i>	No. 60.....	La Colle.
<i>Montreal Kilwinning,</i>	No. 124.....	Montreal.
<i>Royal Albert,</i>	U D.....	“
<i>Victoria,</i>	U.D.	“

As an evidence of the harmony and fellowship that prevails among the brethren, I may state that no cause of Masonic difference or complaint has been brought under my notice, during my term of office.

A Dispensation was granted on the 20th April, to enable the brethren of the Lodge of Antiquity, to appear in regalia at the funeral of their late brother C. R. Bedwell.

All which I have the honor to submit

ROBERT A. SMITH,

D.D.G.M., Montreal District.

MONTREAL, June 26th, 1865.

EASTERN TOWNSHIPS DISTRICT.

To the Most Worshipful the Grand Master and the Grand Lodge of Canada.

In accordance with the requirements of the Constitution, I beg to present my report upon the Eastern Townships District, for the past Masonic year.

At the commencement of the year, the number of Lodges in the District was eleven, since which time a Dispensation has been applied for, and was granted in May last, for the establishment of a new Lodge at South Potton, County of Brome, under the name of Saint John's Lodge, which has been duly organized. A previous application presented in December, 1864, for a Dispensation for the establishment of a Lodge at the same place had been declined by the most worshipful the Grand Master, the Worshipful Master then designated not being competent to confer the first three degrees in masonry, in the manner recognized by the Grand Lodge of Canada. Since that time W. Brother D. A. Manson, the present W. M. has taken great pains to qualify himself for the office, and fully satisfied me of his ability to fill it, and the

new Lodge has commenced work with very favorable prospects of success.

I regret that from my professional engagements, and other unforeseen circumstances, I have not been able to visit the whole of the Lodges within the District, as I wished and intended to have done; the extent of the District, and the want of the means of rapid communication by Railway throughout a large portion of it, render it difficult for any one to give that personal attention to the Lodges, which it is desirable that a District Deputy Grand Master should do, unless at a loss of time which few are able to afford.

I am happy however to report that the Lodges within the District are generally in a prosperous condition, and I believe with one exception only, are working according to the ritual established by Grand Lodge.

I have granted only one Dispensation during the year, viz; on the 17th February last, to Nelson Lodge, No. 8, empowering the brethren thereof, to hold a Masonic Ball, at Philipsburg, on the 28th, and to appear thereat in Masonic clothing.

Only one death among the brethren of the District has been reported to me during the year, viz; that of brother E. Robinson, of Shefford Lodge, No. 53, who was interred with Masonic honors.

The resolution adopted by Grand Lodge at its last Communication, that the Annual Communication of Grand Lodge be held every third year in Canada East, has given general satisfaction as being a fair settlement of a question upon which some discussion has arisen, and will, I doubt not, prove beneficial to the interests of the craft in both sections of the Province. It appears to me that it would be an additional improvement if the places for holding the meetings of Grand Lodge were permanently fixed, instead of being left, as at present, to the chances of an annual vote.

The whole nevertheless respectfully submitted.

G. W. BORLASE,

D.D.G.M., Eastern Townships District.

It was moved by R.W. Bro. A. A. Stevenson, seconded by R.W. Bro. John Renshaw, and

RESOLVED—That the reports of the District Deputy Grand Masters, just read, be received and referred to the Board of General Purposes.

The Grand Secretary read a letter from the Cataraqui Lodge, No. 92, Kingston, on the subject of masonic physical disabilities, which was, on motion, referred to the Board of General Purposes.

The following notice of motion was given by R.W. Bro. John H. Graham :—

That on to-morrow he would move that the next Annual Communication of Grand Lodge be held at Montreal.

V.W. Bro. John M. Horsey gave notice that he would move that the next Annual Communication be held at Kingston.

The Grand Secretary informed Grand Lodge that he had received a letter from the Grand Secretary for the State of Ohio, intimating that a general assembly of the Craft, of all degrees, would take place at the City of Columbus, on the 5th September next, and that a fraternal welcome would be extended by the Ohio Masons to the standard bearers of Masonry of this Province.

The M. W. Grand Master was pleased to lay before Grand Lodge the following letter, which had been forwarded to his address by the Grand Orient of Peru :

[TRANSLATION.]

(SEAL.)

EAST OF LIMA, 28th March, 1865.

To the Most Worshipful Grand Master of the Grand Lodge of Canada.

MOST WORSHIPFUL BROTHER,

Some time ago we had the honor to inform you that in 1858 and 1860, Peruvian Masonry suffered from a rebellion of the members who composed it: of whom, some acknowledging their error,

submitted anew to the Grand Orient, and returned to the path of order. Other deluded brethren, giving way to the influence of passion, refused to return to the path of truth, persisting in their irregularity, they sought proselytes, and held in this manner, meetings which they designated with the same names as those borne by our own Masonic Lodges, so that by these means they might be confused with regular masons, and escape the inevitable consequences of their temerity, and the marked reprobation, with which the Grand Masonic powers, which are in our correspondence, have regarded their rebellion.

These misled Brethren can no longer progress without submitting to order, and to a further proof of the morality of our Masonic principles, they endeavor to find the most appropriate mode to avoid being repulsed by those who know them, and before re-submitting, as they ought, to the regular Grand Orient, the mother of Peruvian masonry, they separate themselves even more, and in distant parts attempt to abuse the good faith of our brethren in order that, although irregular, they may become recognized, and to scandalize if it were possible, with their audacity, the origin of their Masonic exclusion.

It having come to my knowledge that some of the said brethren, may endeavor to surprise your vigilance with petitions anti-masonic and irregular, it is my duty to make you acquainted with such proceedings, in order that following the right and usual course, of which your Grand Lodge has given so many proofs, you may reject any application of a Masonic character, that they may address to you from any of the Orients of Peru, subject as they should be, to the jurisdiction of this Grand Orient, which have not the *certificates of regularity*, as *only* the Grand Orient, over which I have the honor to preside, has the power to grant.

Accept Most Worshipful Brother, the fervent wishes of this Orient for the prosperity of that Grand Lodge over which you so worthily preside, and the fraternal regards with which I subscribe myself,

Your humble brother,

The Grand Master of the Grand Orient of Peru.

(Signed) F. J. MARIATEGUI.

RUBRICA.

SEALED AND CERTIFIED,

(Signed) R. ROSAS MORALES, (RUBRICA.)

Grand Secretary.

On motion, the foregoing letter was referred to the Board of General Purposes.

The M.W. Grand Master directed the announcement to be made that the election of Grand Officers would take place on to-morrow, Thursday.

The Grand Lodge was called from labor to refreshment, to meet on to-morrow, at one o'clock, P.M.

THURSDAY, 13th July, 1865.

The Grand Lodge resumed its sittings at 1.30 o'clock, P.M.

M.W. Bro. W. B. Simpson, Grand Master,
On the Throne.

Officers, Members and Representatives.

The minutes of the proceedings of Grand Lodge, at its first day's session were read and approved.

R.W. Bro. A. A. Stevenson, President of the Board of General Purposes, read the following

R E P O R T.

That in accordance with resolutions of Grand Lodge, at its Annual Communication, in July last, (see p. 406,) an account has been opened by the Grand Treasurer at the Simcoe Branch of the Gore Bank, direct with Grand Lodge.

At the Belleville Session, held on the 7th of February and following days, the books of Grand Secretary, together with the books and accounts of Grand Treasurer, were examined and found perfectly correct.

Complaint having been made that a Lodge under the jurisdiction of the Grand Lodge of Ireland had initiated a candidate who had been black-balled by a Lodge under the G. R. C., the Board recommended reference to the M.W. the Grand Master, with

a view to his entering into correspondence with the M. W. the Grand Master of the Grand Lodge of Ireland, on the subject.

Applications for pecuniary aid were received on behalf of Bro. Richard Ballard and Mrs. Isabella Child. To Mrs. Child on account of her advanced age and of her former position, they agreed to grant the sum of twenty dollars from the Benevolent Fund.

As regards Bro. R. Ballard, the Board were unable to grant relief, in consequence of the funds applicable to such cases being exhausted.

The following accounts were examined, and being found correct, were ordered to be paid, viz :

T. & R. White, for Printing.....	\$326.00
Thomas Myles, for Coal.....	20.75
James Buntin, for Envelopes.....	6.75
W. Brown & Co., for Envelopes and Paper..	6.15
W. C. Chewett, for Certificates.....	310.75
Richard Haigh & Co., for Binding.....	130.00
John Creighton, for Letter Book and Letter- Press for Grand Master.....	12.00
H. Groff, Grand Treasurer, for Contingencies,	4.60
M.W. Grand Master, " "	6.37
Late President B. G. P., " "	8.60
\$831.97	

Two hundred dollars were placed at the disposal of Grand Secretary, for contingencies, to 31st December last; of this amount there was expended—

For Postages, Telegrams, Express Charges, Cleaning Office, &c., &c.....	\$130.76
" Services of Grand Tyler.....	8.00
" Use of Room for B.G.P., at Hamilton..	20.00
" Expenses to Kingston, by direction of G.M.	21.50
" Freemason's Magazine	7.67
\$187.93	

Leaving a balance in hands of Grand Secretary of \$12.07

From the accounts of Grand Treasurer it appears that on 31st December last, there was at the credit of Grand Lodge the sum of \$14,243.84, as follows :

General Fund.....	\$8,243.84
Benevolent Fund.....	6,000.00
	\$14,243.84

Exclusive of \$1,585.25 at credit of Asylum Fund, at same date.

The amount accruing to Benevolent Fund, under resolution of Grand Lodge, page 550, of the printed proceedings of 1864, was \$567.53.

The increase of Grand Lodge income, from all sources, for 1864, as compared with the preceding year, was \$626.83, exclusive of interest.

The difference between income and expenditure for the year 1864, shows a gain of \$3,776.69 to Grand Lodge revenue.

Grand Lodge funds deposited in Gore Bank, Simcoe, are at call, yet bearing four per cent. interest.

The President was authorized to examine into the state of the Grand Lodge regalia, and to have necessary repairs made thereto. The President was further authorized to procure the apron, gauntlets and jewel pertaining to the office of Deputy Grand Master, and that the same be paid for from the funds of Grand Lodge.

The whole respectfully submitted.

A. A. STEVENSON,
Pres. B. of G. P.

The foregoing report was, on motion of R. W. Bro. A. A. Stevenson, seconded by R. W. Bro. L. H. Henderson, received.

REPORT ON FINANCE.

The Board of General Purposes have had under review the Financial Statements of the Grand Treasurer and the Grand Secretary, for the half-year ending 30th June, 1865.

The Grand Treasurer's account shows that on the 31st Dec., last, there was at credit of Grand Lodge the sum of \$12,622.09. Since deposited by him in Bank, at Simcoe, as per

vouchers produced.....	3,391.39
Balance, interest Account	263.75
	\$16,277.23

Against this there appear the cheques of the President of the Board of General Purposes, numbered

15 to 29, inclusive, amounting to.....	\$1,401.97
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Balance at Credit of Grand Lodge, 4th July, 1865.. \$14,875.25

In computing the entire funds of Grand Lodge, it is proper to include the amount at credit of Asylum Fund—this, on the 11th instant, was, with interest, \$1,643.36, which with municipal debentures of the County of Middlesex, sixteen hundred dollars, will make, together with the balance at credit of Grand Lodge, as shown by the Bank Manager's statement, a grand total of eighteen thousand one hundred and eighteen dollars and sixty-two cents.

The whole may be thus stated :

Gore Bank, Simcoe.....	\$14,875.26
Bank of Upper Canada.....	1,643.36
County of Middlesex Debentures	1,600.00
	\$18,118.62

Under the following heads :

General Fund	\$10,431.01
Benevolent Fund.....	6,000.00
Do. Current Account ..	44.25
Asylum Trust	1,643.36
	\$18,118.62

Between the amount deposited by Grand Treasurer during the six months last past as just shewn, and that transmitted by Grand Secretary there is a difference of \$48. The explanation is that the deposit of \$48 by the Grand Treasurer on the 30th June, was for interest on Middlesex Debentures.

The Grand Secretary's statement shews the sources of revenue for the half-year as follows :

Certificates.....	\$ 929.00
Dues..... ;	1591.99
Fees.....	520.50
Dispensations.....	151.00
Constitutions.....	150.90
	\$3,343.39

All the financial statements and vouchers have been examined and found correct.

The Board learn with much pleasure that the system of checking on the Bank by the President of the Board of General Purposes only, countersigned by the Grand Treasurer and Grand Secretary, is maintained.

The Board will, through its President, address the Cashier of the Gore Bank, with a view to this system being thoroughly understood and recognized by the Bank.

Of the revenue of Grand Lodge for fees and dues for the year ending 31st Dec. 1864, \$5,675.36, the Board has transferred ten per cent., amounting to \$567.53, to the credit of Benevolent Fund, in accordance with the vote of Grand Lodge at last Annual Communication.

A. A. STEVENSON,
P. B. G. P.

The foregoing report was on motion of R. W. Bro. A. A. Stevenson, seconded by R. W. Bro. C. J. S. Askin, received.

REPORT ON CONSTITUTION AND REGULATIONS.

The Board of General Purposes have had under their careful consideration several matters of interest contained in the reports of the District Deputy Grand Masters.

The Board learn that by a large number of Lodges there is a growing desire for instruction in the work adopted by Grand

Lodge, and the Board also find that the District Deputy Grand Masters cannot, with justice to their ordinary avocations, devote the time and expense which is required to discharge this important duty.

Various suggestions have been offered to surmount this difficulty, without making any alteration in the Constitution, or introducing changes into a system which has, after many years, been found sufficiently satisfactory.

To sub-divide the Districts is considered most objectionable, for reasons easily apparent.

To appoint one or two lecturers it is thought would be trenching upon the funds of Grand Lodge, to a larger extent than would meet approbation, although it is felt that this system would ensure uniformity better than any other plan.

To meet the views generally expressed, it is submitted that the Grand Secretary should communicate, by printed circular, to all Lodges, that the D. D. G. M.'s will, on request, appoint an experienced Brother to instruct any Lodge,deserving instruction, within his District; if he should find it inconvenient to give such instruction himself.

It being understood that such reasonable remuneration for attendance and travelling expenses as the D. D. G. M. may think proper, shall be paid by the lodge for such services.

To a proper selection and efficient discharge of the duty, the D. D. G. M. will be held responsible to Grand Lodge, and required to report annually thereon.

It is also the opinion of the Board, that the Lodges of each District should unite in purchasing the Regalia for the District Deputy Grand Master, to be held for the use of the Brother who may at any time fill that office.

This recommendation, it is believed will be cheerfully accepted by all Lodges, each of which, it is expected, will, in future, discharge the travelling expenses of the D. D. G. M., to the extent of at least one visit in each year.

The Board regret to observe that one District Deputy Grand Master has assumed to grant a dispensation to a Lodge to lay the corner stone of a church, and another to celebrate the laying of the cape stone of a new court house ; thus infringing upon one of the high perogatives of the Most Worshipful Grand Master.

Upon the subject of a reference to the cases of candidates for initiation suffering from physical defects, the Committee beg leave to remark that at the communication of Grand Lodge, in 1860, the principle was adopted, that they should only be permitted to be initiated by special dispensation from the Grand Master. The Board therefore consider, that in each case this question must be determined by the opinion of the Grand Master.

The applications for warrants by Lodges working under dispensations have been narrowly examined, and the following are recommended as being worthy of receiving warrants of constitution from the Grand Lodge.

Royal Albert.....	Montreal.
Merritt.....	Welland.
Macnab.....	Port Colborne.
Britannia.....	Seaforth.
Prince of Wales.....	Iona.
Ayr.....	Ayr.
Victoria.....	Montreal.
Walsingham.....	Port Rowan.
Saint John's.....	South Potton.
Spartan.....	Sparta.

The Board considers that Grand Lodge may be fairly congratulated, on the promising condition of the new Lodges so recommended for warrants.

It is apparent that attention has been given to many details, to neatness and regularity in keeping the minutes which in years past have not been cared for, but which now are the objects of much proper pride.

Some of the books produced, shew as much regularity, as some of the best working Lodges throughout our jurisdiction.

A. A. STEVENSON,
P. B. G. P.

The foregoing report was, on motion of R. W. Bro. A. A. Stevenson, seconded by R. W. Bro. Æmilius Irving, received.

The Board of General Purposes submitted the following
REPORT ON THE GRAND MASTER'S ADDRESS.

The Board of General Purposes, to whom the address of the Grand Master has been referred, respectfully beg leave to report as follows :

The very able address which has been delivered in Grand Lodge is one for which many thanks are due.

An earnest tone, and simple style, always ensure attention ; but when used to communicate with those, who deeply sympathize with the subjects to which the M. W. Grand Master has directed attention, fill the heart with gratitude to the Great Architect, and high respect for the M. W. Grand Master.

The Board is glad to learn the steady progress of Masonry, and more particularly of the care exercised in preventing new Lodges springing into existence to the injury of those already established, and trusts that the strength of the Grand Lodge of Canada, will never be counted by the number of its Lodges, but will rather be reckoned by the unity of all Masons ranging under its banner.

The Board is sensible of the importance of complete uniformity of work throughout the entire jurisdiction of Grand Lodge, and trusts, that proper steps will be taken to establish that system of work which has been so judiciously selected, and it assumes its furtherance will receive proper attention, and hopes that a scheme will be submitted for adoption which will command general approbation.

The memory of R.W. Brother Bellhouse will be long preserved, his pleasant presence cannot be forgotten, and the Board trusts that Grand Lodge will instruct the Grand Secretary to inform his bereaved widow of its deep sympathy and respectful condolence, and hopes that it will further order for insertion in the printed proceedings of the Grand Lodge for this year, an appropriate memorial page.

Nothing adds more to the character of Grand Lodge, than a proper economy of its resources. Masons have the highest reasons for strict attention to their expenditure. The great design of the Order is to aid the unfortunate, and advance the helpless, and with these glorious objects in view, a continuance of that good management which has apparently husbanded our means should be enjoined, and it is fully believed that the success of the past will stimulate the efforts of the future. The suggestions made by the M.W.G.M. on this subject will no doubt receive attention in the proper quarter.

We thank the M. W. the Grand Master for reminding us that we live in a period of great vicissitudes. The events which have taken place in a neighbouring country, should be evidence to us of the helplessness of the people of this world, in averting the destinies directed by our Heavenly Father.

We heartily acknowledge our enjoyment of the great blessings for which we have to be thankful.

It has pleased the G.A.O.T.U., to secure to ourselves, and to our country, profound peace—to keep our country free from pestilence and famine. These are His gifts, and we should be daily mindful of them. Our gratitude should not rest here. The paternal government under which we live, free beyond all others—to us a constant pride, an ever watchful guardian—to the world an admiration and an example, ornamented and elevated in its personal representative, by a noble Queen, whose life of glorious state, has never paled the lustre of her domestic virtues, is a blessing, for the preservation of which it is our duty on the minds of our children to stamp, and for the continuance of which, it should be our happiness to supplicate. To that prayer which the M. W. G. M. has concluded his Address, we cannot more fully or appropriately express the feeling of our hearts, than by adding.—*So mote it be.*

A. A. STEVENSON,

P.B.G.P.

The foregoing report was, on motion of R. W. Bro. Æmilius Irving, seconded by R. W. Bro. S. B. Harman, received.

R. W. Bro. S. B. Harman gave notice that on to-morrow he would move that the sum of four hundred dollars (\$400) be placed at the disposal of the Committee on Benevolence.

The Grand Secretary read the following communication from the Grand Secretary for the State of Nevada, which was, on motion, referred to the Board of General Purposes.

OFFICE OF THE GRAND SECRETARY,
Grand Lodge of F. & A. M. of Nevada,
Virginia, March 20, 1865.

TO THOS. B. HARRIS,
Grand Secretary,
Grand Lodge of F. & A. Masons of Canada.

VERY WORSHIPFUL SIR & BROTHER,

I have the honor and pleasure of announcing to you, and through you to your Grand Lodge, that on the sixteenth day of January, A. D. 1865, A. L., 5865, the representatives of seven of the eight legally chartered and constituted Lodges of Free and Accepted Masons in this State, met in Convention in this city, and organized the Most Worshipful Grand Lodge of Free and Accepted Masons of the State of Nevada.

By this mail I forward copies of the Proceedings of the Convention which organized the Grand Lodge, and of the first Grand Communication.

By order of the Grand Lodge, I would request you to furnish this Grand Lodge, for its library, a complete set of the published proceedings of your Grand Lodge from as early a date as possible, as they are valuable as books of reference.

Enclosed I transmit to you a certified roll of the Grand Officers for the present Masonic year, accompanied by their autographs, and by order of the Grand Lodge would request that whenever any change makes it necessary, that you will, when announcing the election of Grand Officers, furnish this office with their autographs.

Yours Fraternally.

WM. A. M. VANBOKKELER.

Asst. Grand Secretary.

V. W. Bro. James Bain, gave notice that at the evening Session of this Grand Lodge, he would move that the sum of one thousand dollars (\$1,000) of the General Fund of Grand Lodge be transferred to the Asylum Fund.

The Grand Lodge was called from labor to refreshment, to meet again in half an hour.

The Grand Lodge resumed its sittings.

The consideration of that portion of the report of the Board of General Purposes, having reference to Lodges under Dispensation, was resumed.

It was moved by R. W. Bro. John H. Graham, seconded by R. W. Bro. John Renshaw, and

RESOLVED—That the Report of the Board of General Purposes, recommending that Warrants be granted to the Lodges working under Dispensations be adopted.

The M. W. Grand Master was pleased to appoint the following Brethren to be scrutineers to collect the ballots for Grand Officers to serve during the ensuing Masonic term, viz :—R. W. Bros. John Osborne and John Dutton, and Bro. Alex. Murray.

R. W. Bro. S. B. Harman gave notice that he would move at the evening session—That whereas doubts exist as to the standing of the Grand Lodge of Canada, in Lower Canada, under the Consolidated Statutes of L. C. C. 10, the M. W. Grand Master be requested to take the necessary steps to get the statute in question amended, to remove such doubt.

It was moved by R. W. Brother S. B. Harman, seconded by R. W. Bro. W. H. Weller, that the system of nomination of Brethren for elective Officers of Grand Lodge be permitted.

A vote of Grand Lodge having been taken, it was declared against the resolution.

The balloting for the elective Grand Officers was proceeded with, and the following Brethren were declared duly elected, viz :—

- M. W. Bro. W. B. Simpson, Kingston, re-elected, Grand Master.
 R. “ “ A. A. Stevenson, Montreal, “ Deputy Grand Master.
 “ “ “ Alex. S. Kirkpatrick, Kingston, Grand Senior Warden.
 “ “ “ Marcellus Crombie, Belleville, Grand Junior Warden.
 “ “ “ Rev. V. Clementi, Peterboro', re-elected Grand Chaplain.
 “ “ “ Henry Groff, Simcoe, re-elected, Grand Treasurer.
 “ “ “ Robert Irwin, Montreal, Grand Registrar.
 “ “ “ T. B. Harris, Hamilton, re-elected Grand Secretary.

By an open vote of Grand Lodge,
 Bro. Francis Clough, Toronto, Grand Tyler.

Nominated by the Lodges of the various Masonic Districts, to be District Deputy Grand Masters, and approved by the M. W. Grand Master :

- R. W. Bro. C. J. S. Askin, Chatham, London District.
 “ “ * John Williamson, Simcoe, Wilson District.
 “ “ “ Charles Kahn, Stratford, Huron District.
 “ “ “ Hon. H. B. Bull, Hamilton, Hamilton District.
 “ “ “ A. De Grassi, Toronto, Toronto District.
 “ “ “ Charles D. Macdonnell, Peterboro', Ontario District.
 “ “ “ L. H. Henderson, Belleville, Prince Edward District.
 “ “ “ John V. Noel, Kingston, Central District.
 “ “ “ Richard Bull, Montreal, Montreal District.
 “ “ “ D. W. Bryan, Stanbridge, Eastern Townships District.
 V. “ “ James H. Rowan, Quebec, Quebec District.

The Grand Lodge was called from labor to refreshment, to meet at nine o'clock, p.m.

* At a subsequent date, W. Bro. Williamson declined the appointment.

The Grand Lodge resumed its sittings at 9 o'clock, P.M.

PRESENT.

M. W. Bro. W. B. Simpson, Grand Master.

On the Throne.

Grand Officers, Members and Representatives.

It was moved by R. W. Bro. John H. Graham, seconded by R. W. Bro. John Renshaw, and

RESOLVED—That the next Annual Communication of Grand Lodge be holden at the City of Montreal.

BENEVOLENCE.

The Board of General Purposes beg leave to report that there are a large number of applications for relief from the Benevolent Fund, of such a nature as to call for an immediate appropriation, and as there are at present, only \$44.45, to the credit of said fund, it is urgently submitted, that the Grand Lodge make an especial appropriation for the current Masonic year of \$500.00 in aid of this Fund.

A. A. STEVENSON,

P. B. G. P.

It was moved by R. W. Bro. A. A. Stevenson, seconded by R. W. Brother I. H. Graham, and

RESOLVED—That the Special Report of the Board of General Purposes be received and adopted.

It was moved by R. W. Bro. A. A. Stevenson, seconded by R. W. Bro. I. H. Graham, and

RESOLVED—That the sum of Five Hundred Dollars (\$500) of the General Fund of the Grand Lodge be transferred to the Benevolent Fund, for the purposes mentioned in the foregoing report.

The Board of General Purposes submitted the following

REPORT ON MASONIC ASYLUM FUND.

In reference to this important Fund, the Board beg to report, that full explanations have been made by the chairman, and

other members of the Trust, respecting the failure to invest under the terms reported and adopted at Hamilton, (*vide* P. P , 1864, page 493,) and that R.W. Bro. Harman, Solicitor, explained why it was that the particular investment which the Chairman reported as accepted, had not been carried out.

While the Board fully understand the reasons which induced their predecessors to endorse the cautious procedure of the members of the Asylum Trust,—they are satisfied that such strictness will continue to act as an effectual hindrance to the accomplishment of the object in view.

The Board therefore submit that the third instruction, which reads as follows :

“That not more than one-third of the appraised value be advanced as a loan on any property offered as a security,” be repealed.

Looking at the prosperous condition of Grand Lodge Funds, and the certainty now of its speedy ability to carry out its portion of the original design, the board recommend that a statement be drawn up, shewing the present condition of the Masonic Asylum Fund, and the names and amounts contributed by private Lodges, and that a Circular containing such, be addressed to the W.M. of each Lodge, with an earnest request, that such Lodges as have not yet contributed, will take hold and have a share in the completion of this noble enterprise.

The President has been requested by the Trust, to issue his cheque for the transference of two thousand dollars from the “General,” to the “Masonic Asylum Fund,” as approved by Grand Lodge at last Annual Communication.

A. A. STEVENSON,

P.B.G.P.

The foregoing report was, on motion of R. W. Bro. A. A. Stevenson, seconded by R. W. Bro. S. B. Harman, received.

REPORT ON FINANCE.

The Board have examined the following accounts, and finding them correct, authorize payment thereof, viz :—

Grand Secretary's expenses at Kingston and Belleville, to meet the Board of General Purposes.....	\$21 75
Geo. A. Young, Agent Royal Insurance Company, premium on \$500.....	4 00
Freemason's Magazine, £1 10 4 sterling.....	7 39
Masonic Monthly.....	4 00
W. C. Chewett & Co., 200 Certificates, with name of Grand Master.....	110 00
Wm. Brown & Co., for Envelopes and Paper	3 93
Richard Haigh, Binding 1,000 copies of Constitution, with extra work on 20 copies.....	105 00
T. & R. White, sundry printing	197 15
	\$453 22

The Board congratulate Grand Lodge on the state of their funds, and generally on their financial position. The Grand Secretary and Grand Treasurer are justly entitled to the thanks of Grand Lodge for the care and fidelity with which they have discharged their respective duties. To R. W. Bro. Groff, through whose hands the whole revenue of Grand Lodge passes, and on whom the classification as well as the general care of Grand Lodge Funds devolves, it is thought desirable that some marked token of the high appreciation of Grand Lodge of his services be presented, more especially as the R. W. Brother has never received the slightest remuneration. The Board are of opinion that R. W. Bro. Groff, Grand Treasurer, is justly entitled at the hands of Grand Lodge, *to the Jewel of his office*, and that the same be conferred accordingly in testimony of the high sense entertained by Grand Lodge of the services he has rendered the Craft, in the faithful and most efficient performance of the duties of his important and highly responsible office.

The Board refer with pleasure to its action in reference to Lodges in arrear at its meeting at Toronto and Hamilton last year. A marked improvement has taken place in respect of

making returns ; and if the system laid down for the government of private Lodges in respect of returns and of dues, be followed out, the Board are satisfied there will no Lodge be found twelve months in arrear.

At last Annual Communication there was reported one hundred and fourteen Lodges in arrear, of which forty-two had not made returns for two years.

At the present there are six Lodges in arrear, of which five are over *one* year.

The Lodges over 12 months in arrear are :

14 True Briton's	Lodge.....	Perth.
48 Madoc	"	Madoc.
77 Faithful Brethren	"	Oakwood.
111 Morpeth	"	Morpeth.

Faithful Brethren, No. 77, Oakwood, has made no return nor paid dues for the space of five and a half years.

89	King Hiram Lodge.....	Lindsay.
111	Morpeth "	Morpeth..

Have been in arrears for three years.

True Briton's Lodge No. 14, has been in arrears for the space of two and a half years.

In respect to the foregoing Lodges, the Board recommend that the D. D. G. M.'s of the Districts, in which said Lodges were opened, use all diligence in ascertaining the reason why the Masters respectively disobeyed the summons of Grand Lodge to appear and show cause why their Warrants should not be surrendered, and if in the opinion of the said D. D. G. M.'s, the reasons alleged are sufficient, or for any other reason, he, the D.D.G.M., may use his discretion either to permit the Lodge to work and to recover its good standing, or to report to the M. W. the Grand Master for his adjudication.

The Board are of opinion that a rigid adherence to the course already laid down in respect of Lodges in arrears, will have the

effect of relieving Grand Lodge of an immense amount of trouble, and of the exercise of painful discipline, while it will perhaps prove to be one of the best means of preserving the existing numbers on the Grand Register.

Besides these just spoken of, and whose very existence is questionable, there are on the list of arrears to 30th June, 1865 :

Since June, 1864.....	33	Lodges
“ Dec., “	70	“
“ June, 1865.....	33	“
	136	“

Of these, thirty-five have paid since 30th June, and the Grand Secretary continues daily receiving remittances. At this date there are not less than one hundred Lodges clear on the books. All this compares exceedingly favorably with the condition of the Lodges two years since.

In connection with the disagreeable subject of the indebtedness of Lodges, the Board desire to express its opinion that no Warrant should be granted until, in addition to the ordinary recommendation of the District Deputy Grand Master, there be furnished by that Officer a Certificate to the effect that the Lodge working under Dispensation, and seeking a Warrant, has provided itself with suitable furniture and regalia, and that such furniture and regalia have been paid for, so as to afford the newly Warranted Lodge a reasonable prospect of exemption from debt at its commencement.

To the inventory of Grand Lodge property, there have been added, since last submitted :

1046	Small Books of Constitution.
130	Large “ “
10	Extra Bound.

A. A. STEVENSON,
P. B. G. P.

The foregoing report was, on motion of R. W. Bro. A. A. Stevenson, seconded by R. W. Bro. James Milne, received.

In accordance with notice given,

It was moved by V. W. Bro. James Bain, seconded by W. Bro. John Kerr, and

RESOLVED—That the sum of one thousand dollars (\$1,000) be transferred from the General Fund of Grand Lodge and placed at the credit of the Masonic Asylum Fund.

A vote of Grand Lodge having been taken, it was declared against the resolution.

It was moved by R. W. Bro. A. A. Stevenson, seconded by R. W. Bro. A. DeGrassi, and

RESOLVED—That the thanks of this Grand Lodge are due, and are hereby tendered to the various Railway and Steamboat Companies, viz: The Grand Trunk, Great Western, Buffalo and Lake Huron, Prescott and Ottawa, and Northern Railways; the Royal Mail, and the Richelieu Steam Boat Companies, who have kindly afforded representatives of Lodges an opportunity of attending the Annual Communication of Grand Lodge at greatly reduced rates; and that the Grand Secretary be instructed to convey to these Companies an expression of our grateful acknowledgements for the consideration they have thus manifested during this and preceding years.

Bro. John Clarke, J. W., Norfolk Lodge, No. 10, gave notice: That at the next Annual Communication of Grand Lodge, he will propose to amend the Constitution of this Grand Lodge, by the entire abolition of the section of the "Board of General Purposes," or by so modifying it, that its powers will not sap the vitality of the Grand Lodge, under whose jurisdiction and by whose authority it now proceeds to act; and also to provide a more efficient way of tiling Grand Lodge, and a more solemn method of invoking the aid and guidance of Almighty God in its opening and closing ceremonies.

The Grand Lodge was called from labor to refreshment at 11.30 o'clock, P. M., to meet on to-morrow, Friday, at 11 o'clock, A. M.

Friday, 14th July, 1865.

The Grand Lodge resumed its sittings at 11.30 o'clock, A. M.

The M. W. Bro. W. B. Simpson, Grand Master,
On the Throne.

Grand Officers, Members and Representatives.

The rough Minutes of the Proceedings on the preceding day were read and approved.

The Grand Secretary read the report of the District Deputy Grand Master for the Wilson District, which was received and ordered to be printed with the Proceedings.

The Grand Secretary submitted a petition from the following named Brethren, viz:—Henry Augustus Sims, W. M.; John Macrae, S. W.; Samuel Rogers, J. W.; Jas. Robertson, Thos. Painter, William Beattie, Rodney Eaton, Robert Meikle, Thos. Ballantyne, Samuel Braden and John Thomlinson, praying for a Warrant of Constitution to open a new Lodge at the City of Ottawa, to be named “The Builders’” Lodge.

It was moved by R. W. Bro. John Renshaw, seconded by R. W. Bro. L. H. Henderson, and

RESOLVED—That the prayer of the petitioners be granted, and that the Grand Secretary be directed to prepare the Warrant for issue.

The M. W. Grand Master appointed W. Bros. John Osborne, Otto Klotz and Thomas Wood, scrutineers of the ballot for six Brethren to serve as members of the Board of General Purposes.

The scrutineers reported the following named Brethren as having received the largest number of votes, viz:—R. W. Bros. Hon. Robt. Spence, S. B. Harman, James Milne, Kivas Tully, Jas. Seymour, and John Kerr, (the last named elected for one year only.)

The report was, on motion, received and adopted.

It was moved by R. W. Bro. Hon. Robert Spence, seconded by R. W. Bro. Kivas Tully, and

RESOLVED—That R. W. Bro. S. B. Harman, be a member of the Masonic Asylum Trust, in the place of R. W. Bro. Francis Richardson, who has been unable to act on said Trust.

In accordance with the notice of motion given by R. W. Bro. S. B. Harman,

It was moved by R. W. Bro. A. A. Stevenson, seconded by R. W. Hon. Robt. Spence, and

RESOLVED—That whereas doubts exist as to the standing of the Grand Lodge of Canada, in Lower Canada, under the Consolidated Statutes, L.C. C. 10, the M.W. the Grand Master be requested to take the necessary steps to get the Statute in question amended to remove such doubt.

The Board of General Purposes submitted the following report on

BENEVOLENCE.

The Board of General Purposes respectfully submit that the Grand Lodge confirm and authorize the payment of the following sums for the relief of the persons hereinafter named :

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| 1. To Mrs. Fitzgibbon..... | \$40 00 |
| To be paid through Bro. Harman, and we suggest the sum be applied to aid in educating her son, for the current year. | |
| 2. To Mrs. Duffy..... | 20 00 |
| To be paid through Bro. Isaacson. | |
| 3. To Mrs. Caldwell..... | 30 00 |
| To be paid through Brother Kahn. | |
| 4. To Mrs. Jellyman..... | 45 00 |
| To be paid through the W.M. of Iroquois Lodge. | |
| 5. To Bro. Cornick | 20 00 |
| To be paid through Bro. Bull, Hamilton. | |

6. To Bro. Ballard.....	20 00
To be paid through Bro. Tully.	
7. To Bro. Quill.....	30 00
To be paid through Bro. Allen, of Toronto.	
8. To Bro. Bacon.....	16 00
To be paid through Bro. Bain.	
9. To Bro. McGuire..	16 00
To be paid through the W. M. of Clinton Lodge.	
10. To Bro. Leggett.....	25 00
To be paid through the W. M. of Western Light Lodge.	

The Board also recommend, that in future, all applications for relief should be accompanied with a statement of what has been done by private Lodges in aid of such applicants, and that such applications to the Board of General Purposes be forwarded to the Grand Secretary on or before the first day of the Annual Communication of Grand Lodge.

ON CONSTITUTION AND REGULATIONS.

The Board have had under consideration that portion of the M. W. Grand Master's address respecting By-Laws of Private Lodges, and are of opinion that such being the unquestionable prerogative of the M. W. the Grand Master, the Board respectfully decline to offer any opinion.

ON GRIEVANCES AND APPEALS.

The Board have to report that in the case of Brother John Taylor Standring, suspended from all masonic privileges by Montreal Kilwinning Lodge, No. 124, for embezzling goods and monies belonging to Brother Francis Fraser, they have carefully examined the documents laid before them, and heard the testimony adduced relative thereto, and recommend that Bro. John Taylor Standring, be expelled from the Craft, all the requirements of Constitution having been complied with.

That the matter in reference to Valley Lodge, No. 100, be referred to the D. D. G. M., of the Hamilton District, with full power to adjudicate thereon, and to report to the M. W. the Grand Master.

That in reference to the difficulties or misunderstandings which were reported to exist in Harington Lodge, No. 49, by R. W. Bro. Pope, D. D. G. M. for the Quebec District, the Board are happy to learn from the W. M., that Harington Lodge is now working harmoniously, and trust that it will ever so continue.

That in reference to the misunderstanding between V. W. Bro Graham of True Blue Lodge, and R. W. Brother DeGrassi, D. D. G. M. Toronto District, owing to the want of papers and documents, the Board are unable to go into the case, and recommend it be referred to the semi-annual meeting of the Board, for final adjudication.

ON CONDITION OF MASONRY.

The Board of General Purposes have to report to Grand Lodge that the Grand Secretary has laid before them, copies of the Annual Proceedings from the following Sister Grand Lodges, viz :

California.	1864	Wisconsin.....	1864
Colorado.....	1864	Nebraska.....	1864
Connecticut.....	1864	New York.....	1864
Illinois.....	1864	New Jersey.....	1865
Iowa.....	1864	New Hampshire...1863, 1864	
Kansas.....	1864	Ohio.....	1864
Louisiana.....	1865	Rhode Island.....	1864
Maine.....	1864	Vermont.....	1864
Massachusetts.....	1864	Wisconsin.....	1864
Michigan.....	1865	Washington Territory....	1864

As also the proceedings of a Convention of Masons held at Virginia, State of Nevada, resulting in the formation of a Grand Lodge for that State, accompanied with the following annexed Circular :

GRAND LODGE OF THE STATE OF NEVADA.

BE IT KNOWN, That at the Convention which organized the Grand Lodge of Free and Accepted Masons of the State of Nevada, held at Masonic Hall, in the City of Virginia, on the seventeenth day of January, A. D., 1865, A. L., 5865, the following named Brethren were duly elected Grand Officers for the ensuing year, and subsequently installed and proclaimed as such, viz :

The M.: W.: JOS. DEBELL.....	Grand Master
R.: W.: GEO. W. BAILEY.....	D. G. Master.
R.: W.: HENRY B. BRADY.....	Senior G. Warden.
R.: W.: RICHARD T. MULLARD.....	Junior G. Warden.
V.: W.: CHAS. E. OLNEY.....	Grand Treasurer.
V.: W.: CHAS. H. FISH.....	Grand Secretary.
W. WM. A. VANBOKKELEN.....	(appointed) Asst. G. Secretary.

IN TESTIMONY WHEREOF, *I have signed these Presents, and affixed thereto the Seal of the Grand Lodge, at the City of Virginia, this 28th. day of February, A. D. 1865.*

WM. A. VANBOKKELEN.

Asst. Grand Secretary.

The Board recommend to Grand Lodge, the propriety of extending the right hand of fellowship to this new Grand Lodge and welcome her as a Sister amongst the Grand Lodges of the world. May her course be crowned with success.

A. A. STEVENSON,

P. B. G. P.

The foregoing report was on motion of R. W. Bro. A. A. Stevenson, seconded by R. W. Bro. C. J. S. Askin, received.

The consideration of the report of the Board on Audit and Finance, for the year ending 31st December, 1864, was resumed (see pages 52-3-4).

It was moved by R. W. Bro. A. A. Stevenson, seconded by R. W. Bro. J. Milne, and

RESOLVED—That the report on Audit and Finance be adopted.

R. W. Bro. Kivas Tully, the Representative of the Grand Lodge of Ireland, called the attention of Grand Lodge to a letter of complaint from the Grand Lodge of Ireland which he had received previous to the last Annual Communication, and duly forwarded to the Grand Secretary, and at a subsequent date its receipt was formally acknowledged, with the information that in the absence of any person to give explanation, the Grand Lodge had not taken action thereon. The letter of complaint is as follows :

“ GRAND SECRETARY’S OFFICE,
Freemason’s Hall, Dublin,
23rd day of June, 1864.

“ W. SIR AND BROTHER,

“ By direction of the Board of General Purposes of the Grand Lodge of Ireland, I forward the following extract from a communication received from Lodge No. 209, London; C. W. (I. R.)

“ ‘ That, whereas, two members of this Lodge, were on the 14th July last, denied the privilege of visiting St. John’s Lodge, No. 20, Canada Registry, and were also informed that all members of Lodge No. 209, are prohibited from that right until our application, to restore us our property be withdrawn.

“ ‘ Be it resolved, that while we deeply regret, that any Lodge professing the principles of our Order, could so far violate all Masonic Laws, and disregard the express injunctions of the Grand Lodge under which they work, we feel that retaliation on our part would be as improper as their conduct is reprehensible, and that to the Grand Lodge alone, should they be made amenable. Therefore this Lodge will ever hail all duly accredited Brethren, who may desire to visit us, with that fraternal courtesy and regard to which we believe them justly entitled, and that a copy of this resolution be transmitted to the Grand Lodge of Ireland, and to the representative of said Grand Lodge in this Province, also to St. John’s Lodge No. 20, C. R. for their information.’

“ Although the Board have reason to think that Lodge No. 20, have since ceased to exist, they think it right to forward the above

resolution to the Grand Lodge of Canada, for any explanation or observations which they may wish to make on the subject, and the more especially as it bears reference to a letter recently addressed to the Grand Chapter of Canada, with respect to the Books &c, of Chapter No. 209.

"I have the honour to be W. Sir and Brother,

"Yours faithfully and fraternally,

"CHARLES WALMISLEY,

"D.G.S.

"THOS. B. HARRIS, Esq.,

"Grand Secretary,

"Grand Lodge of Canada,

"Hamilton, C.W."

"TORONTO, JULY 9th, 1864.

"R. W. SIR AND BROTHER,

"I have the honour to enclose a communication which I have this day received from the Board of General Purposes, of the Grand Lodge of Ireland, in reference to a complaint from Lodge No. 209, London, G. R. I., respecting Lodge No. 20, G. R. C., and would request a reply to the same at your earliest convenience.

"I have the honour to remain,

"Yours truly and fraternally,

"KIVAS TULLY,

"Representative of the Grand Lodge of Ireland.

"R. W. BROTHER HARRIS,

"Grand Secretary,

"Grand Lodge of Canada,

"Hamilton."

R. W. Bro. C. J. S. Askin, the District Deputy Grand Master for the London District, brought to the notice of Grand Lodge a complaint preferred by St. John's Lodge, No. 68, Ingersoll, that one Daly, who had been black-balled in St. John's Lodge, No. 68, was initiated, passed and raised in Lodge, No. 209, Irish Register, London, within six months from the time of his being black-balled. Another complaint of a similar nature was likewise preferred by St. John's Lodge, No. 81, Delaware.

In reply to the R. W. Bro. Tully, Representative of the Grand Lodge of Ireland, the Grand Master was pleased to say—

That he was much surprised to hear of any demand being made from Lodge No. 209, I. R., London, C. W., considering that when the Brethren of that Lodge renounced their allegiance to the Grand Lodge of Ireland, and assisted in the formation of the Grand Lodge of Canada, they were encumbered with heavy debts, which said debts have since been paid off by St. John's Lodge, No. 20, C. R.; and further, so far from the members of Lodge 209 having considered that the furniture belonged to them, they actually purchased from the Brethren of St. John's Lodge, No. 20, the carpet, &c., &c., of said Lodge, thereby tacitly admitting that they (the Brethren of Lodge No. 209) had no right or claim upon them; that taking these facts into consideration, the Grand Master said that when the money which had been paid by St. John's Lodge, No. 20, to liquidate the debt of the old Lodge, No. 209, was returned to the Brethren of St. John's Lodge No. 20, it would then be time to entertain the question of giving up the jewels, &c., of the Lodge. The Grand Master further remarked that he was pained to feel himself obliged to call the attention of the representative of the Grand Lodge of Ireland, to the irregular and unmasonic course pursued by the Brethren of Lodge No. 209, by frequently initiating parties who had been black-balled in Canadian Lodges, thereby introducing antagonism and discord between the Lodges in the District, where naught but harmony and kindly feeling should exist, and he suggested the propriety of the Representative of the Grand Lodge of Ireland, earnestly impressing upon his Grand Lodge, the necessity of directing its Lodges in Canada, to govern themselves in reference to the initiation of Candidates, by that clause of the Constitution of the Grand Lodge of Canada, which provides that no rejected candidate can be balloted for in any other Lodge, within twelve months of the time of rejection, and further, that the clause having reference to the jurisdiction of Lodges should likewise be fully enforced, viz :—"No Lodge shall initiate a candidate whose residence is nearer the jurisdiction of another Lodge, without the consent, by a resolution of that Lodge, which

should be signified in writing, unless by dispensation of the Grand Master, except in a town or city where there is more than one Lodge, in which case each Lodge has concurrent jurisdiction. The jurisdiction extends in every direction, half way to the nearest Lodge. That the Grand Lodge of Canada earnestly desires to cement and perpetuate those friendly feelings, so happily in existence since its formation.

The Grand Lodge was called from labor to refreshment, to meet at 3.30 o'clock, p.m.

The Grand Lodge resumed its sittings at 4 o'clock, p.m.
 The M. W. Bro. W. B. Simpson, Grand Master,
 On the Throne.

Grand Officers, Members and Representatives.

The M.W. Grand Master proceeded to install and invest the newly elected Officers for the ensuing Masonic year, viz:

R. W. Br. A. A. Stevenson, Deputy Grand Master.

" " " Alex. S. Kirkpatrick,	Grand Senior Warden
" " " Marcellus Crombie,	" Junior Warden.
" " " Rev. Vincent Clementi,	" Chaplain.
" " " Henry Groff,	" Treasurer.
" " " Robert Irwin,	" Registrar.
" " " Thos. B. Harris,	" Secretary.
" " " Francis Clough,	" Tyler.

DISTRICT DEPUTY GRAND MASTERS.

R. W. Bro. C. J. S. Askin,	London	District.
" " " David Curtis,	Wilson	"
" " " Charles Kahn,	Huron	"
" " " Hon. H. B. Bull,	Hamilton	"
" " " A. DeGrassi,	Toronto	"
" " " C. D. Macdonnell,	Ontario	"
" " " L. H. Henderson	Prince Edward	"
" " " John V. Noel,	Central	"
" " " Richard Bull,	Montreal	"
" " " Denis W. Bryan,	E. Townships	"
" " " James H. Rowan,	Quebec	"

Subsequently the M. W. Grand Master has been pleased to make the following appointments, viz:—

V. W. Br. Christopher W. Bunting,	Grand Senior Deacon.
“ “ “ George Smith,	“ Junior Deacon.
“ “ “ Henry Augustus Sims,	“ Superint't of Works.
“ “ “ Benjamin E. Charlton,	“ Dir. of Ceremonies.
“ “ “ Thomas McCracken, Assist.	“ Secretary.
“ “ “ Otto Klotz,	“ Sword Bearer.
“ “ “ William Reed, Assist.	“ Dir. of Ceremonies.
“ “ “ Henry Carlisle,	“ Organist.
“ “ “ Thomas White, Jr., Assist.	“ Organist.
“ “ “ Stanislaus H. Blondheim,	“ Pursuivant.

V. W. Br. Henry Robertson,	}	Grand Stewards.
“ “ “ Rev. Charles B. Pettit,		
“ “ “ Edwin Goodman,		
“ “ “ Joseph Bullock,		
“ “ “ W. H. Oliver,		
“ “ “ Isaac H. Stearns,		
“ “ “ M. C. Cameron,		
“ “ “ Francis Westlake,		
“ “ “ Henry Dumble,		
“ “ “ John Kerr,	}	
“ “ “ Thomas Wilkinson,		
“ “ “ E. W. Wiswell,		

The consideration of the Report of the Board of General Purposes on Finance, for the year ending 30th June, 1865, was resumed, (see pages 66-7-8).

It was moved by R. W. Bro. A. A. Stevenson, seconded by R. W. Bro. Kivas Tully, and

RESOLVED—That the Report be adopted.

The consideration of the report of the Board on Constitution and Regulations was resumed, (see pages 56-7-8).

It was moved by R. W. Bro. A. A. Stevenson, seconded by R. W. Bro. Kivas Tully, and

RESOLVED—That the Report as read be adopted.

In amendment,

It was moved by Bro. Matheson, seconded by W. Bro. John Wilson,

That the Report be referred back to the Board with a recommendation that that portion which relates to the payment of the District Deputy Grand Masters for their official visits, be struck out.

A vote of Grand Lodge having been taken on the amendment, it was declared in the negative.

A vote having been taken on the original motion, it was declared in its favor, and the report was adopted.

It was moved by R. W. Bro. A. A. Stevenson, seconded by R. W. Bro. James Seymour, and

RESOLVED—That the M. W. Grand Master be requested to carry out the provisions of the foregoing report, in relation to procuring a suitable jewel for the R. W. Grand Treasurer, and that the Board of General Purposes be authorized to defray the expense thereof from the General Fund of the Grand Lodge.

R. W. Bro. John Osborne gave notice—That at the next Annual Communication a rule be adopted to the effect that on the election of all elective officers of Grand Lodge, together with that of members of the Board of General Purposes, the names, with the rank, Lodge and locality hailing from, of the Brethren intended to be put in nomination for each office, shall be handed in writing to the Grand Secretary on the first day of Grand Lodge, and shall as soon as convenient be printed for the information of members and representatives.

R. W. Bro. Thos. Ridout gave notice—That at the next Annual Communication of Grand Lodge, he would move: That one or more Grand Lecturers be appointed; their expenses to be defrayed by Grand Lodge.

W. Bro. F. Westlake gave notice—That at the next Annual Communication of Grand Lodge he would move that the District Deputy Grand Masters be paid their expenses by Grand Lodge, for one visit to each Lodge within their respective Districts.

The consideration of the report of the Board on the

address of the M. W. Grand Master was resumed, (see pages 59-60).

It was moved by R. W. Bro. A. A. Stevenson, seconded by R. W. Bro. A. DeGrassi, and

RESOLVED—That the Report be adopted.

The consideration of the report of the Board on Masonic Asylum Fund was resumed, (see pages 64-5).

It was moved by R. W. Bro. Kivas Tully, seconded by R. W. Bro. Rev. Vincent Clementi,

That the Report as read be adopted.

In amendment,

It was moved by R. W. Bro. Hon. H. B. Bull, seconded by R. W. Bro. Jas. Seymour and

RESOLVED—That so much of the report having reference to the removing restrictions on the investment of the Asylum Trust Fund be struck out, and that the report so amended be adopted.

A vote of Grand Lodge having been taken on the amendment it was declared to be in the affirmative, and the report as amended was adopted.

It was moved by R. W. Bro. John H. Graham, seconded by R. W. Bro. Rev. V. Clementi, and

RESOLVED—That the District Deputy Grand Masters for the present year be added to the Committee heretofore appointed on the History of Free Masonry in the Province, and that they make report through the Committee aforesaid at the next Annual Communication of Grand Lodge.

The consideration of the reports of the Board on Grievances and Appeals, Foreign Correspondence, and Benevolence, was resumed. (See pages 71-2-3-4).

It was moved by R. W. Bro. A. A. Stevenson, seconded by R. W. Bro. John H. Graham, and

RESOLVED—That these reports be adopted.

It was moved by R. W. Bro. A. A. Stevenson, seconded by R. W. Bro. John H. Graham, and

RESOLVED—That the thanks of Grand Lodge be tendered to the Brethren

of the Toronto City Lodges for the kind reception and hospitable entertainment extended to the members and representatives in attendance at this Annual Communication.

The M.W. Grand Master was pleased to announce the following appointments to the Board of General Purposes for the ensuing term, viz :—

R.W. Br. James A. Henderson, St. John's Lodge, No. 3, Kingston.

“ “ “ John Osborne, Burlington Lodge, No. 165, Well. Sqre.

M. “ “ A. Bernard, St. George's Lodge, No. 19, Montreal.

R. “ “ G. H. Borlase, Victoria “ “ 71, Sherbrooke,

“ “ “ J. H. Graham, St. Francis “ “ 67, Richmond.

No further business appearing, the Grand Secretary read the rough minutes of the proceedings to the close which were approved.

The labors of Grand Lodge being ended, it was closed in Ample form, with solemn prayer.

ATTEST.



Thos. R. Harris
 Sec'y.

LIST OF GRAND OFFICERS FOR 1865-6.

M.W. Bro. William B. Simpson, Grand Master.

R. " " Alexander A. Stevenson, Deputy Grand Master.

" " Charles J. S. Askin, D.D.G.M. London District.

" " David Curtis, " Wilson "

" " Charles Kahn, " Huron "

" " Hon. Harcourt B. Bull, " Hamilton "

" " A. DeGrassi, " Toronto "

" " Charles D. Macdonnell, " Ontario "

" " Lawrence H. Henderson, " Pr. Edward "

" " John V. Noel, " Central "

" " Richard Bull, " Montreal "

" " D. W. Bryan, " E. Townsh's "

" " James H. Rowan, " Quebec "

" " Alexr. S. Kirkpatrick, Grand Senior Warden.

" " Marcellus Crombie, Grand Junior Warden.

" " Rev. Vincent Clementi, Grand Chaplain.

" " Henry Groff, Grand Treasurer.

" " Robert Irwin, Grand Registrar.

" " Thos. B. Harris, Grand Secretary.

V. " " Christopher W. Bunting, Grand Senior Deacon.

" " George Smith, Grand Junior Deacon.

" " Henry A. Sims, Grand Superintendent of Works.

" " Benjamin E. Charlton, Grand Director of Ceremonies.

" " Thomas McCracken, Assistant Grand Secretary.

" " Otto Klotz, Grand Sword Bearer.

" " William Reed, Assistant Grand Director of Ceremonies.

" " Henry Carlisle, Grand Organist.

" " Thomas White, Jun'r. Assistant Grand Organist.

" " Stanislaus H. Blondheim, Grand Pursuivant.

" " Francis Clough, Grand Tyler.

V. W. Brs. Henry Robertson, Rev. C. B. Pettit, Edwin Goodman, Joseph Bullock, William H. Oliver, Isaac H. Stearns, M. C. Cameron, Francis Westlake, Henry Dumble, John Kerr, Thos. Wilkinson, and E. W. Wiswell—Grand Stewards.

REPRESENTATIVES OF GRAND LODGES.

M.W. Bro. W. C. Stephens, from the U. G. L. England.. at the G. L. of Canada.

R. " " Kivas Tully, G. L. Ireland "

" " " Thos Drummond, " Scotland "

M " " William M Wilson, " Illinois "

" " " " " St. Domingo "

" " " A. Bernard, " Vermont "

R. " " Thomas B. Harris, " Kansas "

" " " John Hamilton Graham, " Maine "

" " " James A. Henderson, " New York "

" " " The Rt. Hon Lord de Tabley, " Canada, at the U. G. L. of England.

" " " Michael Furnell, " " at the G. L. of Ireland.

" " " Lindsay Mackersey, " " " Scotland.

" " " " " " " Vermont.

" " " Wm. Pitt Prebble, " " " Maine.

" " " Henry W. Turner, " " " New York.

" " " Horner A. Johnson, " " " Illinois.

" " " Jacinto de Castro, " " " St. Domingo.

Grand Secretary's Account.

THOMAS B. HARRIS, *Grand Secretary, in Account Current with the Grand Lodge of Canada. Monies received during the fiscal year, from the 31st December, 1863, to the 31st December, 1864 :*

NO.	NAMES OF LODGES	\$.	cts.	NO.	NAMES OF LODGES.	\$	Cts.
—	Antiquity Lodge, Montreal	79	00		Brought forward	\$1,966	85
1	Prevost, Dunham	90	00	45	Brant, Brantford	30	00
2	Niagara, Niagara	38	00	46	Wellington, Chatham	19	75
3	St. John's, Kingston	130	75	47	Great Western, Windsor	50	00
4	Dorchester, St. Johns	10	50	49	Harington, Quebec	85	50
5	Sussex, Brockville	79	50	50	Consecon, Consecon	48	00
6	Barton, Hamilton	80	00	51	Corinthian, Grahamville	12	00
7	Union, Grimsby	78	00	52	Wellington, Dunnville	11	00
8	Nelson, Phillipsburg	11	00	53	Shefford, Waterloo	37	00
9	Union, Napanee	75	50	54	Vaughan, Maple	35	63
10	Norfolk, Simcoe	25	25	55	Mirickville, Mirickville	21	25
11	Moir, Belleville	107	23	56	Victoria, Port Sarnia	56	50
12	Western Light, Bolton	14	50	57	Harmony, Binbrook	50	50
15	St. George's, St. Catharines	43	00	58	Doric, Ottawa	34	00
16	St. Andrew's, Toronto	59	25	59	Corinthian, Ottawa	25	25
17	St. John's, Cobourg	19	50	60	Hoyle, La Colle	6	00
18	Prince Edward's, Picton	75	00	61	Acacia, Hamilton	19	50
19	St. George's, Montreal	61	75	62	St. Andrew's, Caledonia	20	75
20	St. John's, London	29	25	63	Simcoe, Simcoe	51	00
21	Zetland, Montreal	50	50	64	Kilwinning, London	67	50
22	King Solomon's, Toronto	32	75	66	Durham, Newcastle	39	27
23	Richmond, Richmond Hill	8	00	67	St. Francis, Richmond	85	50
24	St. Francis, Smith's Falls	27	00	68	St. John's, Ingersoll	23	75
25	Ionic, Toronto	32	25	69	Stirling, Stirling	40	00
26	Ontario, Port Hope	49	25	70	King, King	2	00
27	Strict Observ'ce, Hamilton	24	75	71	Victoria, Sherbrooke	60	25
28	Mount Zion, Kemptville	35	50	72	Alma, Galt	33	50
29	United, Brighton	23	75	73	St. James, St. Mary's	18	45
30	Composite, Whitby	25	00	74	St. James, Maitland	17	75
31	Jerusalem, Bowmanville	36	25	75	St. Johns, Toronto	30	50
32	Amity, Dunnville	68	25	76	Oxford, Woodstock	38	25
34	Thistle, Amherstburg	22	00	77	Faithful Brethren, Oakw'd.	2	00
35	St. John's, Cayuga	23	00	78	King Hiram, Tilsonburgh	21	25
36	Welland, Fonthill	40	00	79	Simcoe, Bradford	12	75
37	King Hiram, Ingersoll	36	25	80	Albion, Newbury	18	95
38	Trent, Trenton	27	75	81	St. John's, Delaware	39	33
40	St. John's, Hamilton	22	50	82	St. John's, Paris	13	25
41	St. George's, Kingsville	40	00	84	Clinton, Clinton	41	50
42	St. George's, London	89	37	86	Wilson, Toronto	37	00
43	King Solomon's, Woodst'k	26	00	87	Markham Union, Markham	26	25
44	St. Thomas, St. Thomas	119	75	88	St. George's, Owen Sound	19	75
Carried forward				\$1,966	85	Carried forward	
						\$3,269	23

Grand Secretary's Account Current—[CONTINUED.]

NO.	NAMES OF LODGES.	\$ Cts	NO.	NAMES OF LODGES.	\$ Cts
	Brought forward	\$3,269 23		Brought forward	\$4,657 86
90	Manito, Collingwood.....	28 00	135	St. Clair, Milton ...	18 00
91	Colborne, Colborne.....	15 00	136	Richardson, Cashel.....	38 25
92	Cataraqui, Kingston... ..	34 25	137	Pythagoras, Meaford	6 75
93	Northern Light, Kincardine	16 75	138	Aylmer, Aylmer, C. E... ..	28 50
94	St. Mark's, Port Stanley ..	109 50	139	Lebanon, Oshawa	25 75
95	Ridout, Otterville.....	31 00	140	Malahide, Aylmer, C.W... ..	40 00
96	Corinthian, Barrie	19 00	141	Tudor, Mitchell	31 50
97	Sharon, Sharon... ..	17 00	142	Excelsior, Morrisburgh ..	13 00
99	Tuscan, Newmarket	22 25	143	Friendly Broth's, Iroquois	16 25
100	Valley, Dundas.....	12 00	144	Tecumseh, Stratford ...	115 75
101	Corinthian, Peterboro'....	8 00	145	J. B. Hall, Millbrook	22 00
103	Maple Leaf, St. Catharines.	78 00	146	Prin'o of Wales, Newbur'h	10 25
104	St. John's, Norwichville..	12 00	147	Mississippi, Almonte....	17 50
106	Burford, Burford.....	41 25	148	Erie, Port Dover.	17 50
107	St. Paul's, Lambeth	40 00	150	Hastings, Hastings ...	26 25
108	Blenheim, Drumbo... ..	36 38	151	The Grand River, Berlin..	16 05
109	Albion, Sydenham.	24 50	153	Burns, Wyoming	20 20
111	Maitland, Goderich.....	43 00	154	Irving, Lucan	35 25
113	Wilson, Waterford.....	8 00	155	Peterboro'gh, Peterbor'gh	22 25
114	Hope, Port Hope.....	4 50	156	York, Eglinton	90 75
115	Ivy, Smithville... ..	26 50	157	Simpson, Delta	30 00
116	Cassia, Widder.	28 50	158	Alexandra, Oil Springs ..	20 00
117	Stanbridge, Stanbridge ..	35 00	159	Goodw'd, Richmo'd, C.W.	1 00
119	Maple Leaf, Bath.....	59 75	160	Quebec Garrison, Quebec.	56 75
120	Warren, Fingal	76 25	161	Percy, Warkworth.....	47 00
121	Doric, Brantford.....	87 25	162	Forest, Wroxeter... ..	35 00
123	The Belleville, Belleville..	36 00	163	Browne, Adamsville.....	30 00
124	Montre'l Killwinni'g, Mon.	204 25	164	Starin the East, Wellington	36 25
125	Cornwall, Cornwall	41 00	165	Burlington, Wellington Sq.	30 00
126	Golden Rule, Campbells'f'd	27 50	166	Wentworth, Stoney Creek.	55 00
127	Franck, Frankford	32 00	U.D.	Royal Albert, Montreal... ..	20 00
128	Pembroke, Pembroke....	20 00	"	Merritt, Welland.....	20 00
129	The Rising Sun, Aurora ..	34 00	"	Macnab, Port Colborne ..	20 00
130	Yanaska, Granby	5 25	"	Britannia, Seaforth	20 00
131	St. Lawren'e, Southampt'n	7 00	"	Joseph Brock, D.D.G.M.	1 00
133	Lebanon For'st, Franceston	37 75	"	Constitutions... ..	1 50
134	Shawenegam, Three Riv's	30 25	"	John Dutton, D.D.G.M...	2 00
Carried forward...		\$4,657 86	Total.....		\$5,695 61

Dr. THOMAS B. HARRIS, *Grand Secretary, in Account current with Grand Lodge.* *Cr.*

1864.		1864.	
Dec. 31—To Cash from Lodges, as per statement above.	\$5,691.11	January 12.—By Grand Treasurer.	\$174.25
" " D.D.G.M., Ontario District.	1.00	" 14.—" "	79.75
" " " Huron	2.00	" 16.—" "	61.00
" " Constitutions	1.50	" 25.—" "	180.00
		" 28.—" "	99.52
		February 5.—" "	141.25
		" 11.—" "	80.00
		" 13.—" "	176.75
		" 18.—" "	51.75
		" 20.—" "	74.00
		" 23.—" "	89.75
		March 1.—" "	50.50
		" 15.—" "	103.25
		April 9.—" "	90.75
		" 12.—" "	129.25
		" 23.—" "	78.00
		May 9.—" "	67.45
		" 14.—" "	80.00
		" 25.—" "	125.00
		June 6.—" "	56.50
		" 21.—" "	72.00
		" 30.—" "	200.00
		" 30.—" "	366.70
		July 6.—" "	194.25
		" 8.—" "	116.75
		" 23.—" "	1060.00
		August 3.—" "	93.00
		Sept'r 1.—" "	144.00
		" 97.—" "	80.58
		November 10.—" "	100.00
			100.00

October 20.—	"	120.30
November 10.—	"	160.00
" 21.—	"	165.00
December 2.—	"	89.00
" 9.—	"	113.25
" 17.—	"	109.23
" 29.—	"	61.00
" 31.—	"	293.00
" 31.—	"	259.63
		<u>\$5,695.61</u>

RECAPITULATION OF RECEIPTS FOR THE YEAR.

For Certificates.....	\$1,462.00
“ Dues.....	2,866.11
“ Fees.....	908.25
“ Dispensations.....	279.00
“ Warrants.....	160.00
“ Constitutions.....	20.25
	\$5,695.61

Audited and found correct, A. A. STEVENSON, P. B. of G. P.

T. B. HARRIS, Grand Sec., in account with Wilson Testimonial Fund.

1863.	\$	c.
December 31.—To Balance on hand reported in 1863.....	2.00	

T. B. HARRIS, Grand Sec., in account with Masonic Asylum Fund.

1863.	\$	c.
December 31.—To Balance on hand.....	16.00	
1864.		
December 31.—To Cash from Lodge No. 68.....	1.00	
To Balance in hand 31st December, 1864.....		<u>\$17.00</u>

GENERAL

Dr. *The Grand Lodge of Ancient Free and Accepted Masons*

1864.				
January	15.—	To paid the G. Master, to pay bill for testimonial to M. W. Bro. Stephens.....	260	00
"	"	" Bank exchange for draft on Quebec for same	65	
Feb'y	27.—	" President's order to W. C. Chewett & Co., for Certificates &c.....	275	00
March	1.—	" President's orders, viz :		
		To W. Gillesby, for printing.....	176	35
		" Thos. Myles, for coal.....	12	88
		" Haigh & Smiley, for Binding F. M. Magazine, &c.....	12	00
		" Grand Secretary, for expenses.....	49	60
		" Thos. McCracken, salary as Assistant Secretary.....	100	00
		" Royal Insurance Company.....	4	00
		" Grand Secretary for Incidental expenses.....	100	00
	3.—	" " Mrs. T. G. Ridout.....	100	00
		" Interest on Middlesex debentures for six Months ending 31st Dec., 1863, credited this account now transferred " Benevolence" account.....	48	00
		" President's order to W. Brown, for envelopes, minute-books, &c.....	20	00
	7.—	" Transferred to Benevolent Fund Investment account, amount of Simcoe Agency Gore Bank Deposit Receipts, viz :—		
		No. 111, dated 1st July, 1863.. \$ 400		
		" 559, " 7th March, 1864.. 2000		
		" 260, " " " 2000		
			4,400	00
April	11.—	" President's orders to—		
		Grand Secretary's salary to 31st March.	300	00
June	30.—	" " " date.....	300	00
"	"	" " for half-year's office rent	30	00
"	"	" Postages.....	95	
October	26.—	" President's orders to—		
		W. C. Chewett & Co.....	192	50
		Mrs. T. G. Ridout.....	100	00
		A. Copp & Co., for Stove and Pipes...	8	75
		W. Brown & Co.....	3	08
		Grand Secretary's salary to 30th Sept.	300	00
		Wm. Gillesby & Co., for printing.....	39	60

Carried forward 10,946 11

FUND.

f Canada, in account with HENRY GROFF, Grand Treas. Cr.

1864		\$	c.
January	1.—By balance in hand.....	8867	51
"	12.— " deposit in Gore Bank by Grand Secretary.....	174	25
"	14.— " " " "	79	75
"	16.— " " " "	61	00
"	25.— " " " "	180	00
"	28.— " " " "	99	52
'Feb'y	5.— " " " "	141	25
"	10.— " " " "	80	00
"	13.— " " " "	176	75
"	18.— " " " "	51	75
"	20.— " " " "	74	00
"	23.— " " " "	89	75
March	1.— " " " "	50	50
"	7.— " Interest on Gore Bank Deposit Receipts, viz :		

HEAD OFFICE.

No.	507, dated 6th M'ch '60,	for \$1,000	\$160 00
"	508, " " "	"	300 48 00
"	773, " 2nd Aug., "	"	500 71 89
"	878, " 1st Nov., "	"	200 26 78
"	1263, " 2nd M'ch, '61,	"	400 48 21
"	1417, " 7th May, "	"	600 67 98
"	1606, " 19th July, "	"	600 66 47
"	1778, " 16th Oct., "	"	300 28 66
"	1928, " 28th Dec., "	"	408 35 77
"	2004, " 18th Jan. '62,	"	300 25 61

SIMCOE AGENCY.

No.	11, dated 11th July '62, for \$204	13 49
"	20, " 19th Aug., " 1,100	68 04
"	40, " 1st Nov., " 488	26 25
"	46, " 6th " " 400	21 26
"	74, " 5th Feb., '63, 400	17 57

\$725 98

Less on \$4,000 from the 1st July, 1863,
credited to "Benevolence" account. 109 15

		616	83
"	15.— " deposit in Gore Bank by Grand Secretary.....	103	25
"	" amount charged to this fund now transferred to Benevolence, viz:—		

Benevolence, viz:—

Grand Secretary, 11th Aug., 1863..\$50 00

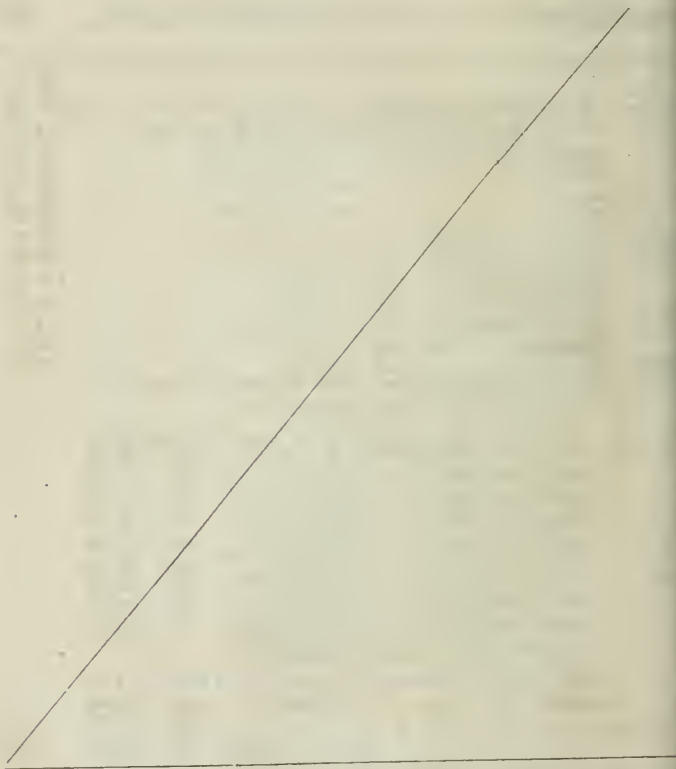
Grand Master, 3rd October, " .. 50 00

100 00

Carried forward	6,833 36
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GRAND LODGE OF CANADA.

	Brought forward.....	\$10,946 11
Novem. 24.—	Grand Sec., for incidental expenses...	100 00
Decem. 31.—	" salary to date.....	300 00
"	" for half-year's office rent..	30 00
	Balance.....	8,243 84



\$15,507 20

Audited and found correct.

SIMCOE, 3rd Jan., 1865.

		Brought forward.....	\$6,833 36
April	9.—	“ deposit in Gore Bank by Grand Secretary	90 75
“	11.—	“ “ “ “ “	129 25
“	23.—	“ “ “ “ “	78 00
May	10.—	“ “ “ “ “	67 45
“	14.—	“ “ “ “ “	80 00
“	25.—	“ “ “ “ “	125 00
June	6.—	“ “ “ “ “	56 50
“	21.—	“ “ “ “ “	72 00
“	30.—	“ “ “ “ “	200 00
		“ “ “ “ “	366 70
		Interest on Gore Bank Deposit Receipt No. 102, for \$200, and No. 124, for \$600, changed No. 332 for \$800.....	30 44
July	8—	“ deposit in Gore Bank by Grand Secretary.....	116 75
“	23—	“ “ “ “ “	1060 00
August	3—	“ “ “ “ “	93 00
“	31—	“ “ “ “ “	144 00
Sept	27—	“ “ “ “ “	89 58
“	28—	“ Interest on Gore Bank Receipts as follows, viz: No. 210, 27th January, 1864. \$400.....	\$10 69
		“ 226, 5th February, “ 400.....	10 30
		“ 261, 7th March, “ 2,000.....	44 92
		“ 262, “ “ 1,200.....	26 95
		“ 273, 22nd March. “ 400.....	8 35
		“ 306, 28th May, “ 200.....	2 69
		“ 332, 30th June, “ 800.....	7 89
		“ 343, 28th July, “ 1,000.....	6 80
		“ 352, 2nd September, “ 500.....	1 42
			120 01
October	20—	“ deposit in Gore Bank by Grand Secretary	120 50
Novem	10—	“ “ “ “ “	160 00
“	21—	“ “ “ “ “	165 00
Decem	3—	“ “ “ “ “	89 00
“	9—	“ “ “ “ “	113 25
“	9—	“ “ “ “ “	194 25
“	17—	“ “ “ “ “	109 23
“	29—	“ “ “ “ “	61 00
“	31—	“ “ “ “ “	293 00
		“ Interest on “General Fund,” portion of monies on deposit in Gore Bank, Simcoe.....	76 80
1865			
January	3—	“ deposit in Gore Bank by Grand Secretary	259 63
			<u>\$15,507 20</u>
“		“ Balance on hand.....	\$8,243 84

HENRY GROFF, *Grand Treasurer.*

A. A. STEVENSON,

P. B. G. P.

FUND OF BENEFOLIENCE.

Dr. *The Grand Lodge of A. F. & A. M. of Canada, in account with HENRY GROFF, Grand Treasurer.* Cr.

		1864.	\$	c.		\$	c.
March 7.	To amounts wrong charged to General Fund, viz.:				March 7.	By Interest on \$4000 of Gore Bank deposits,	
	Grand Secretary, 11th Aug., '63.	\$50 00				1st July, 1863.	109 15
	Grand Master, 3rd October, "	50 00				" Six months' interest to 31st December,	
						on County of Middlesex debentures.	48 00
	" paid Grand Master's orders to—				June 30.	" One year's interest on Gore Bank	
	Mrs. Childs.	\$20 00				receipt No. 111, for \$400, charged to	16 00
	R. W. Bro. Pope, for W. Bro.					No. 331.	
	Cole.	20 00				" Six months' interest on County of Mid-	48 00
April 12.	Mrs. G. W. Powell.	30 00			Sept. 28.	" Interest on Gore Bank deposit receipts,	
June 20.	Mrs. Pardy.	20 00				viz.:	
						No. 259, dated 7th M'h, '64, \$2000.	\$44 92
	" paid the President's order to—					" 260, " " 2000.	44 92
Novem. 26.	Mrs. Falloon.	\$75 00				" 332, " 30th June, " 400.	3 94
	Bro. Wells.	75 00			Decem. 31.	" Six months' interest on County of Mid-	93 78
	Mrs. G. W. Powell.	25 00				dlesex debentures.	48 00
	Mrs. Pardy.	25 00				" Interest on " Benevolence " Fund's	
	Mrs. McConniff.	40 00				portion of monies on deposit in Gore	45 32
						Bank, Simcoe.	21 75
						Balance.	
							\$430 00
Decem. 31.	To Balance due this Fund.	\$21 75					
Simcoe, 31st December, 1864.							

HENRY GROFF, Grand Treasurer.

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BALANCE SHEET.

	\$	c.	\$	c.
Fund of Benevolence, as per account current.....	21	75	General Fund, as above.....	8,243 84
Gore Bank (Simcoe) deposits, as per account current..	12,622	09	Fund of Benevolence, as per statement	6,000 00
County of Middlesex for debentures, in Bank of Upper Canada	1,600	00		
	<u>\$14,243 84</u>			<u>\$14,243 84</u>
SIMCOE, 3rd January, 1865,			HENRY GROFF, Grand Treasurer.	
Audited and found correct.			A. A. STEVENSON, P.B.G.P.	

STATEMENT shewing the Investments of the Funds of the Grand Lodge of Ancient Free and Accepted Masons of Canada,
set apart as a Fund of Benevolence.

County of Middlesex debentures held by the Bank of Upper Canada, Interest payable 30th June and 31st Dec., at 6 pr. ct., \$1,600 00	
On deposit in the Gore Bank, at Simcoe, included in the account current of the Bank with the Grand Lodge, bearing Interest at 4 per cent.....	4,400 00
Total.....	<u>\$6,000 00</u>
SIMCOE, 31st December, 1864.	HENRY GROFF, Grand Treasurer.

Masonic Asylum Fund, as reported at the Annual Communication, July, 1864.

Amount at Credit, Bank of Upper Canada.....	\$1,585 71
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LIST OF GRAND LODGES,

IN CORRESPONDENCE WITH THE GRAND LODGE OF CANADA, WITH THE NAMES
AND RESIDENCES OF THE GRAND SECRETARIES.

United G. L. of England	Wm. Gray Clarke	London.
Grand Lodge of Ireland	John E. Hyndman	Dublin.
Grand Lodge of Scotland	Wm. A. Lawrie	Edinburgh.
Alabama	Daniel Sayre	Montgomery.
Arkansas	Thomas D. Merrick	Little Rock.
California	Alexander G. Abell	San Francisco.
Colorado	O. A. Whittemore	Denver City.
Connecticut	Lucius E. Hunt	Hartford.
Delaware	Benjamin N. Ogle	Delaware City.
District of Columbia	William M. Smith	Washington.
Florida	John B. Taylor	Tallahassee.
Georgia	Simri Rose	Macon.
Illinois	H. G. Reynolds	Springfield.
Indiana	William Hacker	Shelbyville.
Iowa	Theo. S. Parvin	Iowa City.
Kansas	E. T. Carr	Ft. Leavenworth.
Kentucky	T. M. S. McCorkle	Greensbury.
Louisiana	Samuel M. Todd	New Orleans.
Maine	Ira Berry	Portland.
Maryland	Jacob H. Medairy	Baltimore.
Massachusetts	Charles W. Moore	Boston.
Michigan	James Fenton	Detroit.
Minnesota	G. W. Prescott	St. Paul.
Mississippi		
Missouri	A. O'Sullivan	St. Louis.
Nebraska	S. D. Bangs	Bellevue.
Nevada	C. H. Fish	Virginia.
New York	James M. Austin	New York.
New Jersey	James H. Hough	Trenton.
New Hampshire	Horace Chase	Hopkinton.
North Carolina	W. T. Bain	Raleigh.
Ohio	John D. Caldwell	Cincinnati.
Oregon	T. E. Hartford	Oregon City.
Pennsylvania	Wm. H. Adams	Philadelphia.
Rhode Island	C. D. Green, Jr.	Providence.
South Carolina	A. G. Mackey	Charleston.
Tennessee	Charles A. Fuller	Nashville.
Texas	A. S. Ruthven	Galveston.
Virginia	John Dove	Richmond.
Vermont	Henry Clark	Poultney.
Wisconsin	W. T. Palmer	Milwaukee.
Washington Territory	Elwood Evans	Olympia.
P. G. L., Nova Scotia	C. D. Twining	Halifax.

RETURN OF SUBORDINATE LODGES, RENDERED 24th JUNE, 1865.

Lodges Marked thus () hold their Installation of Officers on the Festival of St. John the Evangelist: all others on that of St. John the Baptist.*

No.	LODGE.	WHERE HELD.	NIGHT OF MEETING.	W. MASTER.	SECRETARY.
—	*Antiquity Lodge...	Montreal...	First Thursday.....of every month.	W Br. Alexis Brunet.	Br. Wm. Withey.
1	*Prevost.....	Dunham.....	Tuesday preceding full moon...	" David Browne.	" John B. Seymour.
2	Niagara.....	Niagara.....	Wednesday on or before full moon	" Alex. Servos...	" Daniel Scvos.
3	*St. John's.....	Kingston.....	First Thursday.....	" A. Kirkpatrick.	" H. C. Voigt.
4	*Dorchester.....	St. Johns.....	First Thursday.....	" I. B. Footvoy..	" James S. Allen.
5	*Sussex.....	Brockville...	Wednesday on or preceding f. m..	" T. Williamson.	" Alex. Stewart.
6	Barton.....	Hamilton....	Second Wednesday.....	" B. E. Charlton..	" John B. Eager.
7	Union.....	Grimsby.....	Thursday on or before full moon.	" A. G. Muir.....	" Wm. Forbes.
8	*Nelson.....	Phillipsburgh	Thursday on or before full moon.	" H. S. Farnsworth	" A. VanAllen.
9	*Union.....	Napance.....	Friday before full moon.....	" H. M. Wright...	" John Benson.
10	*Norfolk.....	Simcoe.....	Tuesday on or before full moon..	" John Wilson...	" Amos A. Merrill.
11	*Mora.....	Belleville...	Wednesday on or preceding f. m.	" Wm. Docter....	" Robt. J. Innes.
12	*Golden Rule....	Stanstead....	Tuesday on or before full moon..	" H. J. Martin...	" David Wilkey.
13	Western Light...	Bolton.....	Wednesday on or before full moon	" A. E. Hachfield.	" W J McCutcheon.
14	*True Briton's...	Perth.....	First Monday.....	" John Stewart...	" A. C. Sinclair.
15	St. George's.....	St. Catharines	Tuesday on or before full moon..	" S. G. Dolson...	" Wm. T. Boyd.
16	St. Andrew's.....	Toronto.....	Second Tuesday.....	" James Bain....	" James Wight.
17	St. John's.....	Cobourg.....	Monday on or before full moon..	" J. F. Mallory...	" Wm. H. Weller.
18	*Prince Edward's	Pictou.....	Thursday on or preceding f. m..	" J. N. Carter....	" Thos. Shannon.
19	*St. George's.....	Montreal....	Third Tuesday.....	" Robert Irwin...	" W. MacKenzie.
20	*St. John's.....	London.....	Second Tuesday.....	" J. K. Clare....	" M. D. Dawson.
21	*Zetland.....	Montreal....	Second Thursday.....	" J. H. Isaacson..	" Jacob Samuel.
22	King Solomon's...	Toronto.....	Second Thursday.....	" C. W. Bunting.	" G. A. Barnard.
23	Richmond.....	Rich'm'd Hill	Thursday on or before full moon.	" A. P. Conger...	" Stewart Moag.
24	*St. Francis.....	Smith's Falls.	Friday on or before full moon....	" J. Ballantyne..	" R. P. Stephens.
25	*Ionic.....	Toronto.....	First Tuesday.....	" James Brown...	" W. G. Stevensen.
26	*Ontario.....	Port Hope...	Third Thursday.....	" Robt. Nicholls.	"

27	*Strict Observance...	Hamilton...	Third Tuesday.....	"	" W. W. Pringle..	" David Gillies.
28	*Mount Zion.....	Kemptville ..	Wednesday preceding full moon.	"	" Robt. Leslie....	" A. Blackburn.
29	*United.....	Brighton ..	Thursday before full moon.....	"	" J. O. Proctor...	" Robert Barker.
30	*Composite.....	Whitby.....	First Thursday.....	"	" Yeo'n Gibson...	" R. Francis.
31	*Jerusalem	Bowmanville.	Wednesday on or before full moon	"	" F. F. McArthur	" Robt Manning.
32	*Amity.....	Dunnville ..	Wednesday after full moon.....	"	" Jabez Amsden..	" A. W. Haun.
33	*Thistle.....	Amherstburg.	Tuesday before full moon.....	"	" John McLeod...	" C. G. Fortier.
34	*St. John's	Caraga.....	Thursday on or after full moon...	"	" G. A. Gibson...	" T. H. Altman
35	*Welland	Fonthill.....	Thursday on or before full moon...	"	" Wm. H. Bell....	" C. B. Bennett.
36	*King Hiram	Ingersoll	Tuesday on or before full moon...	"	" J. W. Chambers	" Isaac R Walker.
37	*Trent	Trenton.....	Tuesday before full moon.....	"	" Ezra Stephens..	" David Roblin.
38	*Mount Zion.....	Brooklin.....	Tuesday on or preceding full moon	"	" James Baird ...	" John Christie.
39	*St. John's.....	Hamilton.....	Third Thursday.....	"	" C. W. Smith....	" Wm. Turnbull.
40	*St. George's.....	Kingsville ..	Thursday on or before full moon...	"	" J. H. Black	" James Cady.
41	*St. George's.....	London.....	First Wednesday.....	"	" F. Westlake	" R. S. T. Davidson.
42	*King Solomon's.....	Woodstock...	Tuesday on or before full moon...	"	" John Paterson..	" R. M. Revel.
43	*St. Thomas	St. Thomas...	First Thursday.....	"	" T. D. Warren....	" Chas. W. Harte.
44	*Brant	Brantford....	Tuesday on or before full moon...	"	" J. W. Lethbridge	" John Bishop.
45	*Wellington	Chatham.....	Second Monday.....	"	" Jno. E. Brooke..	" Robt. W. Bell.
46	*Great Western	Windsor.....	Thursday on or before full moon...	"	" John Hutton....	" W. J. H. Saunders.
47	*Madoc.....	Quebec.....	Tuesday on or before full moon...	"	" A. Wright	" Jas. O'Hara, junr.
48	*Harington	Quebec.....	Third Thursday.....	"	" C. Jones	" Maurice Levy.
49	*Consecon	Consecon.....	Friday on or before full moon....	"	" S. Nethery.....	" A. G. Whittier.
50	*Corinthian	Grahamville.	Tuesday on or before full moon...	"	" Joseph Figg....	" Christ'r Burrell.
51	*Shefford	Waterloo.....	First Monday.....	"	" J. Robinson....	" F. E. Fourdrinier.
52	*Vaughan	Maple.....	Tuesday on or before full moon...	"	" P. Patterson....	" J. W. FitzMaurice
53	*Miriakville	Miriakville ..	Tuesday after full moon.....	"	" Geo. Mirick....	" William Wright.
54	*Victoria.....	Port Sarnia..	Tuesday before full moon.....	"	" Wm. Ireland ..	" R. S. Gurd.
55	*Harmony	Binbrook....	Monday after full moon.....	"	" Wm. Wright....	" James Hoey.
56	*Doric	Ottawa.....	First Wednesday.....	"	" J. F. Featherston	" Wm. E. Lees.
57	*Corinthian	Ottawa.....	Third Thursday.....	"	" I. B. Taylor....	" Fred. Maret.
58	*Hoyle	La Colle.....	Second Tuesday.....	"	" T. Featherston.	" W. H. Vanvliet.

Returns of Subordinate Lodges—Continued.

NO.	LODGE.	WHERE HELD.	NIGHT OF MEETING.	W. MASTER.	SECRETARY.
61	*Acacia	Hamilton	Fourth Friday	W Br. Thos. B. Harris	Br. Edward Mitchell.
62	*St. Andrew's	Caledonia	Wednesday on or before full moon.	" Chas. Hunter...	" Matthew Howard
64	*Kilwinning	London	Third Thursday	" John Wylie...	" T. F. McMullen.
66	*Durham	Newcastle	Tuesday on or before full moon..	" H. S. Northrop.	" Martin W. Bayly.
67	*St. Francis	Richmond	First Thursday	" Thos. Hart....	" M. M. Tait.
68	*St. John's	Ingersoll	Thursday on or before full moon.	" A. Bristol....	" H. Hearn.
69	Stirling	Stirling	Thursday after full moon	" A. G. Thurber..	" W. J. Dal'oc.
71	*Victoria	Sherbrooke	Second Tuesday	" S. J. Foss	" E. F. Bartlett.
72	Alma	Galt	Thursday on or before full moon.	" J. Davidson....	" F. Guggisberg.
73	*St. James'	St. Mary's	First Monday	" J. B. Hudson....	" T. S. Shortt
74	*St. James'	Maitland	Monday nearest full moon	" J. Dumbrill....	" J. Suddaby.
75	St. John's	Toronto	First Monday	" Thos. Gundry..	" B. Saunders.
76	*Oxford	Woodstock	Second Wednesday	" Homer P. Brown	" Edward Burke.
77	*Faithful Brethren	Oakwood	Wednesday before full moon....	" No Returns....	" Thos. Beall.
78	*King Hiram	Tilsonburgh	Wednesday on or before full moon.	" E. J. Croly....	" Thos. Leduc.
79	Simcoe	Bradford	Thursday after full moon	" J. W. H. Wilson.	" Edward Marrow.
80	Albion	Newbury	First Tuesday	" J. Thompson...	" Andrew Wilson.
81	*St. John's	Delaware	Tuesday on or before full moon..	" C. J. Ladd	" Wm. Lundy.
82	St. John's	Paris	First Tuesday	" Henry Hart....	" Wm. Dobie.
83	*Beaver	Strathroy	Friday on or after full moon....	" W. Rapley	" E. Thompson.
84	*Clinton	Clinton	Wednesday on or after full moon.	" T. Jackson	" Alfred Torr.
85	Rising Sun	Farmersville	Thursday nearest full moon	" A. A. Chamberlin	" Wm. H. Giles.
86	*Wilson	Toronto	Third Tuesday	" R. J. Kimball..	" Wm. H. Archer.
87	Markham Union	Markham	Friday on or before full moon...	" D. McMurchy..	" J. D. McPhee.
88	St. George's	Owen Sound	Wednesday on or before full moon.	" Allan Cameron.	" S. I. Parker.
89	*King Hiram	Lindsay	First Tuesday	" John F. Albro..	" Henry Gladman.
90	*Manito	Collingwood	Wednesday on or after full moon.	" H. Robertson...	" Adam Dudgeon.
91	*Colborne	Colborne	Friday on or before full moon...	" C. R. Ford	" Addison Vars.
92	Cataraqui	Kingston	Second Wednesday	" R. Hendry, Jr...	" Alfred Finnimore

93	*Northern Light....	Kincardine....	Thursday after full moon.....	of every month	W Br. D. Gardner...	Br. Wm. A. Young,
94	*St. Mark's.....	Port Stanley....	Second Tuesday.....	"	" J. Ellison.....	" J. Hemphill.
95	Ridout.....	Otterville.....	Thursday on or before full moon.	"	" John Wood.....	" G. Goodwin.
96	*Corinthian.....	Barrie.....	Thursday on or before full moon.	"	" H. Fraser.....	" Jas. N. Graham.
97	*Sharon.....	Sharon.....	Tuesday on or before full moon..	"	" H. Mosier.....	" Wm. Simpson.
98	True Blue.....	Albion.....	Friday on or before full moon....	"	" Wm. Graham...	" Robt. H. Booth.
99	*Tuscan.....	Newmarket....	Second Wednesday.....	"	" Wm. Bishop...	" Chas. Elvidge.
100	Valley.....	Dundas.....	First Wednesday.....	"	" J. Quackenbush	" Sml. Denniston.
101	*Corinthian.....	Peterboro'....	Wednesday preceding full moon..	"	" Richard White..	" Thos. White, jr.
103	*Maple Leaf.....	St. Catharines	Thursday on or after full moon...	"	" Henry Carlisle..	" George Groves.
104	St. John's.....	Norwichville..	Wednesday after full moon.....	"	" Jas. Haken	" Geo. W. Tidey.
105	St. Mark's.....	Drummondville	Tuesday on or before full moon..	"	" Thos. Evans....	" J. Bartle.
106	*Burford.....	Burford.....	Wednesday before full moon.....	"	" Wm. H. Serpell.	" C. D. Tufford.
107	St. Paul's.....	Lambeth.....	Second Wednesday.....	"	" D. B. Burch....	" Jas Armstrong.
108	Blenheim.....	Drumbo.....	Wednesday on or before full moon.	"	" S. D. Brown....	" Jas. McKenzie.
109	Albion.....	Sydenham.....	Tuesday after full moon.....	"	" N. F. Dupries..	"
110	*Central.....	Prescott.....	Tuesday before full moon.....	"	" Macneil Clarke..	" William Camp.
111	*Morpeth.....	Morpeth.....	Second Thursday.....	"	" A. Heyward....	" Richard L. Marsh.
112	Maitland.....	Goderich.....	Second Tuesday.....	"	" H. B. O'Connor.	" Robert Booth.
113	*Wilson.....	Waterford.....	Wednesday on or before full moon.	"	" L. Bean.....	" Leamon Becker.
114	*Hope.....	Port Hope.....	First Thursday.....	"	" J. G. Williams..	" Joseph Gray.
115	*Ivy.....	Smithville....	Tuesday on or after full moon....	"	" Wm. W. Telfer..	" Robt. Thompson.
116	*Cassia.....	Wilder.....	Monday on or before full moon...	"	" Geo. Holwell....	" P. McKellar.
117	*Stanbridge.....	Stanbridge....	Wednesday on or before full moon.	"	" Denis W. Bryan..	" William Elder.
118	Union.....	Lloydstown ..	Monday on or before full moon..	"	" W. R. Jamison..	" A. Armstrong Jr.
119	*Maple Leaf.....	Bath.....	Monday before full moon.....	"	" Jas. Johnston..	" J. E. Cooper.
120	Warren.....	Fingal.....	Second Thursday.....	"	" Wm. Simpkins..	" James P. Finlay.
121	*Doric.....	Brantford....	Friday on or preceding full moon.	"	" Chas. Gilbert ..	" J. P. P. Excell.
122	*Renfrew.....	Renfrew.....	Tuesday nearest full moon.....	"	" R. R. Smith	" Daniel Beatty.
123	*The Belleville...	Belleville....	First Thursday.....	"	" Alfred Ellis....	" J. P. Thomas.
124	*Montreal Kilwin'g	Montreal.....	Second Monday.....	"	" Isaac H. Stearns	" W. H. Hall.
125	*Cornwall.....	Cornwall.....	Monday on or after full moon....	"	" W. H. Oliver ..	" James Kilgour.

Returns of Subordinate Lodges—Continued.

NO.	LODGE.	WHERE HELD.	NIGHT OF MEETING.	W. MASTER.	SECRETARY.
126	*Golden Rule.....	Campbells'rd	Tuesday after full moon..... of every month	W Br. Hugh O'Neil..	Br. James Archer.
127	*Frank.....	Frankford....	Monday before full moon.....	" G. S. Graham ..	" Gordon Terry.
128	*Pembroke.....	Pembroke....	Tuesday before full moon.....	" Henry Sinton..	" Geo. E. Nielson.
129	*The Rising Sun...	Aurora.....	Friday on or after full moon.....	" Wm. Ireland ..	" William Willis.
130	*Yamaska.....	Granby.....	Wednesday before full moon.....	" J. G. Whitcomb	" Henry Rose.
131	*St. Lawrence.....	Southampton.	Second Tuesday.....	" D R J Campbell	" John Eastwood.
133	*Lebanon Forest...	Franceson....	Monday on or before full moon..	" Michael Eacette	" Thos. Gidley.
134	*Shawenagam.....	Three Rivers.	Second Wednesday.....	" John Turner...	" Henry Ogden.
135	*St. Clair.....	Milton.....	Thursday on or before full moon.	" W. L. P. Eager.	
136	*Richardson.....	Cashel.....	Wednesday on or before full moon.	" L. B. Armstrong	" P. Sennet.
137	*Pythagoras.....	Meaford.....	Friday on or after full moon....	" James Cleland .	" R. H. Foster.
138	*Aylmer.....	Aylmer C. E..	Second Tuesday.....	" C. H. Church ..	" James Ayleen.
139	*Lebanon.....	Oshawa.....	Second Tuesday.....	" S. B. Fairbanks	" G. K. Muirroe.
140	*Malahide.....	Aylmer C. W.	Wednesday on or after full moon..	" Thos. M. Nairn..	" Geo. R. Wood.
141	*Tudor.....	Mitchell.....	Tuesday on or before full moon..	" T. Matheson....	" Alex. Matheson.
142	*Excelsior.....	Morrisburgh..	Thursday on or before full moon.	" A. G. Macdonell	" F. B. Carman.
143	*Friendly Brothers..	Iroquois.....	Wednesday before full moon....	" J. Stephenson..	" John N. Tuttle.
144	*Tecumseh.....	Stratford.....	Thursday on or before full moon.	" John Dutton...	" W. Buckingham.
145	*J. B. Hall.....	Mill Brook...	Second Thursday.....	" Henry Turner..	" G. B. Armstrong.
146	*Prince of Wales....	Newburgh....	Wednesday before full moon....	" J. F. Hope.....	" John McLaurin.
147	*Mississippi.....	Almonte.....	Friday on or before full moon....	" Dugald McEwan	" Wm. McDiarmid.
148	*Civil Service.....	Seat of Govt.	Second Tuesday.....	" Wm. Spink.....	" B. King.
149	*Erie.....	Port Dover...	Monday on or before full moon...	" Peter Lawson...	" Wm. Inman.
150	*Hastings.....	Hastings.....	Thursday on or before full moon.	" Jas. S. Fowlds .	" Henry Lye.
151	The Grand River...	Berlin.....	Tuesday on or before full moon..	" W. D. Peirne ..	" Isaac G. Bean.
152	Clarenceville.....	Clarenceville	Third Thursday.....	" C. N. Beerwort.	" Charles Stewart.
153	*Burns.....	Wyoming....	Thursday on or before full moon.	" Wm. Given.....	" G. F. Barnwell.

154	155	156	157	158	159	160	161	162	163	164	165	166	167	168	169	170	171	172	173	174	175	176	177	178
*Peterborough	*York	Simpson	Alexandra	Goodwood	Quebec Garrison	Percy	Forest	Browne	Star in the East	*Burlington	Wentworth	Royal Albert	Merritt	Macnab	Britannia	Prince of Wales	Ayr	Victoria	Walsingham	Saint John's	Spartan	The Builders'	Plattsville	J. D.
Eglinton	Delta	Oil Springs	Richm'd C. W.	Quebec	Warkworth	Wroxeter	Adamsville	Wellington	Wellington Sq.	Stoney Creek	Montreal	Welland	Port Colborne	Seaforth	Iona	Ayr	Montreal	Port Rowan	South Potton	Spartan	Ottawa	Plattsville		
First Friday	Thursday on or before full moon	Tuesday on or after full moon	Thursday on or after full moon	First Tuesday	Second Saturday	Wednesday before full moon	Wednesday after full moon	Friday on or before full moon	Tuesday on or before full moon	Wednesday on or before full moon	Monday on or before full moon	First Monday	Monday on or before full moon	Tuesday on or before full moon	Monday on or after full moon	Friday on or after full moon	Tuesday on or after full moon	First Monday after full moon	First Thursday after full moon	Wednesday before full moon	Monday on or after full moon	Friday on or before full moon	Friday on or before full moon	
H. Lawson	Wm. Jackes	Hugh. Mackay	T. Ellison	G. Keating	George Smith	I. Humphries	A. Worthington	Charles Browne	Donald Ross	J. Osbourne	Walter Mackay	Wm. Reed	A. G. Hill	C. B. Nimmo	A. Slimmon	John Cascaden	S. D. Brown	H. J. Gear	J. Gustin	D. A. Manson	W. Mandeville	H. A. Sims	Francis Motheral	
I. M. Burns.	Thos. Robinson.	Henry Brown.	Arthur Lyon.	Wm. Beard.	R. P. Hurlbut.	T. Playford.	Henry Baker.	W. Cleminson.	G. C. Bastedo.	Howard Heales.	John Sharpe.	L. D. Raymond.	F. J. Quin.	Julius Duncan.	Donald McLean.	Wm. Ross.	H. Kirkland,							

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IN MEMORY OF
Right Worshipful Brother
WILLIAM BELLHOUSE,

Initiated 16th September, 1851,

In the Lodge of STRICT OBSERVANCE, No. 27,
HAMILTON.

Grand Treasurer of the Grand Lodge of Canada, for
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District Deputy Grand Master for the Hamilton
District, 1861.

DIED on the 3d day of October, 1864,
Aged 44.

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NAMES.	No.	LODGE.	DATE.
Charles R. Bedwell.....	—	Antiquity Lodge	April 22.....1865
Edward Rhicard	1	Prevost	June
William Moffatt.....	2	Niagara.....	July 29.....1864
John Haney.....	2	"	March 25.....1865
James H. Brooks.....	5	Sussex.....	October 7.....1864
D. B. McDonald.....	6	Barton	July 25.....1864
Walter A. Sitzler.....	6	"	
William Burness.....	6	"	March 23.....1865
George Caning Chalmers	6	"	June 24.....1865
James Wood.....	7	Union	May 9.....1865
Anthony Dietroman.....	9	Union	October
Henry G. Wood.....	12	Golden Rule	July 13.....1864
George M. Reid.....	17	St. John's.....	January 26.....1865
John Thomson Munroe.....	21	Zetland	August 5.....1864
James Leith Robertson.....	21	"	January 19.....1865
James T. Frost.....	24	St. Francis.....	January
J. H. Gibson.....	25	Ionic	June 24.....1864
Dugald McInnes.....	27	Strict Observance.....	August 30.....1864
Peter Fergusson.....	27	"	September 6.....1864
James Mather.....	27	"	December 18.....1864
Trueman Cowan Hurd.....	28	Mount Zion.....	November 24.....1864
Thomas Rice.....	36	Welland	November 13.....1864
William Sleigh.....	39	Mount Zion.....	November
D. N. Malott.....	41	St. George's.....	November
John Barr.....	42	St. George's.....	April 10.....1865
Thos. Phelan.....	43	King Solomon's.....	December 31.....1864
Robert M. Strype.....	51	Corinthian	May 13.....1865
Edward Robinson.....	53	Shefford	November 4.....1864
Robert Geddis.....	53	Doric	September 16.....1864
Thomas Francis Wright.....	62	St. Andrew's.....	April 13.....1865
E. Z. Wallbridge.....	66	Durham	September 26.....1864
John McFarlane.....	72	Alma	July 12.....1864
Orin Avery.....	73	King Hiram.....	October 22.....1864
Jas. Plummer [died in U.S.]	80	Albion.....	
Duncan McRae.....	80	"	April 15.....1865
Abel Wilcox.....	83	Beaver	December 19.....1864
Hiram Sopher.....	85	Rising Sun	
Andrew Lockhart.....	88	St. George's.....	July 1.....1864
Nathaniel Herriman.....	88	"	May 26.....1865
Louis Corradi.....	90	Manito	May 18.....1865
John Andrew Greenwood.....	92	Cataragui.....	July 2.....1864
Thomas Allan Mulkias.....	92	"	January 1.....1865
S. N. Peck.....	99	Tuscan	May 4.....1865
William Lewis Smith.....	103	Maple Leaf.....	March 4.....1865
William Walker Wilson.....	105	St. Mark's.....	March 15.....1865
Curtis McNames.....	107	St. Paul's.....	November 29.....1864
David Caw.....	108	Blenheim	September 20.....1864
Edward Bacon.....	110	Central	March 4.....1865
Isaac Lemons.....	113	Wilson	June 8.....1865
David J. Fountain.....	113	Union	May 8.....1865
Andrew D. Campbell.....	119	Maple Leaf.....	August 8.....1864
Cristopher Collins.....	119	"	November 15.....1865
William Henry Sutton.....	121	Doric	April 27.....1865
Alexander Moore.....	122	Renfrew	March 5.....1863
Mathew Patterson.....	122	"	March [in England] 1861
Thomas Warren.....	123	The Belleville.....	October 22.....1864
Charles Mortimer.....	129	The Rising Sun.....	January 13.....1865
Henry Fry.....	129	"	September 5.....1864
William Pantan.....	135	St. Clair	October 7.....1865
James Regan.....	135	"	July 23.....1864
Benjamin Bowman.....	136	Richardson	November 7.....1864
Arthur J. Purkis.....	142	Excelsior	July 9.....1864
Robert Lowery.....	143	Friendly Brothers.....	April 17.....1865
James Jellyman.....	143	"	May 6.....1865
Frederick Dutton.....	144	Tecumseh.....	July 1.....1864
T. J. Holloway.....	148	Civil Service.....	April 12.....1864
Lewis Scofield.....	149	Erie	March 27.....1865
Robert Stevenson.....	155	Peterborough	September 13.....1864
John Caldwell.....	162	Forest	April 10.....1865
Charles Richardson.....	165	Burlington.....	Jan. 31.....1865
James Beck.....	{ Buried by Brant Lodge, belonged to Missouri, U.S. }		September 16.....1865

EXPULSION BY THE GRAND LODGE.

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JOHN TAYLOR STANDRING,

“Montreal Kilwinning” Lodge, No. 124, Montreal.

Suspensions—Unmasonic Conduct.

- No. 21, Zetland Lodge, Montreal.*
 William H. Manby, P. K. Armstrong.
- No. 28, Mount Zion Lodge, Kemptville.*
 Henry Hurd.
- No. 78, King Hiram Lodge, Tilsonburg.*
 James Bice.
- No. 83, Beaver Lodge, Strathroy.*
 Edwin H. Smith.
- No. 98, True Blue Lodge, Albion.*
 James Mills.
- No. 103, Maple Leaf Lodge, St. Catharines.*
 Robert Reynolds.
- No. 110, Central Lodge, Prescott.*
 George Twomley.
- No. 135, St. Clair Lodge, Milton.*
 Smith Peter Morse.
- No. 141, Tudor Lodge, Mitchell.*
 John Fishleigh.
- No. 153, Burns Lodge, Wyoming.*
 Duncan McDonald.
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Suspensions—Non-Payment of Dues.

- No. 2, Niagara Lodge, Niagara.*
 H. W. E. Nicholl, John Rousseau, Hamilton Gibson.
- No. 5, Sussex Lodge, Brockville.*
 Moses L. Gale.
- No. 6, Barton Lodge, Hamilton.*
 John B. Hagar, Donald Henderson, Duncan McGregor.

No. 7, Union Lodge, Grimsby.

Robt. Byrens, R. Henry, B. Rogers, Joseph Chambers, Robert Shepherd, Conrad Teater, Sardus Smith, Richard Wilcox, J. E. Vining, George Thomas, John Muir, William Davidson, Jacob Hoffman, George Book.

No 10, Norfolk Lodge, Simcoe.

Augustus Wilson, Aaron S. Barker, Joseph Lavine, William Wyatt, Charles Robinson.

No. 13, Western Light Lodge, Bolton.

James Legget, Robert Robison, R. G. McCraw.

No. 15, St. George's Lodge, St. Catharines.

George M. Nickerson, N. Riggans, James Cairns, Ed. Andrews, R. S. King, J. W. O. Clarke, N. A. Lindsay, Wm. Cook.

No. 16, St. Andrew's Lodge, Toronto.

E. M. Carruthers, Alfred Brunel, Thomas Miller, H. M. Scott, R. Bryson.

No. 20, St. John's Lodge, London.

James Ferguson, J. D. Sharman, John McGregor, George Jackson, Richard Fleetam, John Brown.

No. 27, Strict Observance Lodge, Hamilton.

Robert Nisbet, J. E. Dallyn, C. C. Farmer, Alfred Stow, H. M. Melville, James Dunne, M. W. Wartman, W. Lapenotiere, Thomas Craig.

No. 28, Mount Zion Lodge, Kemptville.

Henry Squires, H. C. Bettes.

No. 30, Composite Lodge, Whitby.

Francis Keller, Robert Campbell.

No. 31, Jerusalem Lodge, Bowmanville.

Thomas Shaw, Thomas Robbins, John Ashton, John Stott, E. Silver.

No. 37, King Hiram Lodge, Ingersoll.

Burton Bennett, James Vine, Dennis Horseman.

No. 39, Mount Zion Lodge, Brooklin.

Samuel Lamercaux, Albert Gillot, Marshal J. Huckins, T. W. Purdy, George McQuain, Henry J. Biam.

No. 45, Brant Lodge, Brantford.

O. A. Spoor.

No. 50, Consecon Lodge, Consecon.

Wm. Potter, A. R. McDonald, James R. Bailey.

No. 54, Vaughan Lodge, Maple.

James Hogan, Joseph Ingram, Francis Goodwill, John Cousins.

No. 59, Corinthian Lodge, Ottawa.

W. M. Matheson, John Paupore, G. B. Pelham.

No. 62, St. Andrew's Lodge, Caledonia.

William Hawkins, William Holdeu.

No. 64, Kilwinning Lodge, London.

P. C. Bernard, John McBeth, William W. Colledge, John C. Crabb.

No. 71, Victoria Lodge, Sherbrooke.

G. B. Loomis, Terry Austin, John D. Fraser, James B. Thomson, Joseph B. Grant, Wright Chamberlain.

No. 72, Alma Lodge, Galt.

G. C. Hineman.

No. 73, St. James' Lodge, St. Mary's

W. J. Hutton, Justus Ingersoll.

No. 78, King Hiram Lodge, Tilsonburgh.

Leonard Green, S. B. Newcomb, Roger Olmstead, Mathew Burns,
William Moulton.

No. 80, Albion Lodge, Newbury.

Cameron J. Campbell, John R. McRae, Alexander McMillan, Abraham Challis.

No. 82, St. John's Lodge, Paris.

John C. Collier, R. L. Hickson, J. McVicars, J. L. Bray.

No. 83, Beaver Lodge, Strathroy.

John Kincaid, A. W. Cole, Francis Blomhart, James Cole.

No. 90, Manito Lodge, Collingwood.

Richard Whitney.

No. 91, Colborne Lodge, Colborne.

Thomas H. Peterson.

No. 98, True Blue Lodge, Albion.

John Walker, George Irwin, Frederick Hetey.

No. 103, Maple Leaf Lodge, St. Catharines.

Kenneth McKenzie, George Clark, James McCaughey, Hiram Martlatt,
Henry M. Giles, Cyrus Dean, Alexander Stanley, John Ambrose Goodman,
John T. Parker, Joseph Watson, H. T. Tolmie.

No. 107, St. Paul's Lodge, Lambeth.

James Nevils, John Rogers, James Stephenson, Dan. Y. Hoyt, Isaac Nevils,
Joseph Mantle, Lucien McNames.

No. 108, Blenheim Lodge, Drumbo.

John B. Capoon, John W. Brundle, John Warner.

No. 113, Wilson Lodge, Waterford.

Levi Forbs, Levi Lewis, John McLarin, Edward Grace.

No. 116, Cassia Lodge, Widder.

John T. Taylor, Samuel A. Peck, Silas Adzit, Smith Mott, John A. Scoon.

No. 118, Union Lodge, Lloydtown.

Wm. Nelson, Jr., Jas. H. Beard, John Bell, Wm. Carter, Jr., Joseph T. Carson,
John M. Campbell, Wm. H. Portor.

No. 121, Doric Lodge, Brantford.

Wm. Walker, John Orr, John Harvey Goodson, John Harrison, John C.
Marsland, Wm. S. Buckwell.

No. 122, Renfrew Lodge, Renfrew.

Robertson Lyon, Alfred Wheeler, A. S. Dowsnell, Andrew Bell, J. Munro, Jr.,
Wm. Knowles, James Ellis, David Evans.

No. 123, The Belleville Lodge, Belleville.

Robert Wallbridge, James Quinn, Daniel Kynaston, Donald Moodie.

No. 125 Cornwall Lodge, Cornwall.

J. C. Walton, C. Decort, John McKenzie—(Continued absence.)

No. 128, Pembroke Lodge, Pembroke.

James Grieve, John B. Cushing, Robert Law.

No. 130, Yamaska Lodge, Yamaska.

Elias Ross, G. M. Warr, Wm. Cook, George W. Knight, Eusebe Dufresnes,
James Chalmers.

No. 135, St. Clair Lodge, Milton.

Wm. Gilmer, Peter Cruikshanks, Wm. J. McNiece.

No. 137, Pythagoras Lodge, Meaford.

W. K. Hendersøn, David Auld, John Johnson.

No. 142, Excelsior Lodge, Morrisburg

Robert A. Lowrey.

No 148, Civil Service Lodge, Ottawa.

Charles Panet.

No. 150, Hastings Lodge, Hastings.

David S. Nelson, Charles J. Appleton.

No. 151, The Grand River Lodge, Berlin.

Charles Camidge.

No. 158, Alexandra Lodge, Oil Springs.

Patrick McManus, for six months, from 18th May, 1865—violating the
secrecy of the ballot.

No. 160, Quebec Garrison Lodge, Quebec.

Alexander Duncan, Joseph Lesueur, Robert Summers.

No. 166, Wentworth Lodge.

J. S. Carlo.

Restorations.

No. 6, Barton Lodge, Hamilton.

William Burness.

No. 16, St. Andrew's Lodge, Toronto.

Peter Cameron.

No. 26, Ontario Lodge, Port Hope.

Thos. F. Janes.

No. 29, United Lodge, Brighton.

James Purkiss.

No. 30, Composite Lodge, Whitby.

Robt. J. Wilson.

No. 34, Thistle Lodge, Amherstburg.

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